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OUR SPACED OUT SPEEDSTER MEETS THE PARENTS—**TAILS' PARENTS**— IN THE LAST PLACE HE EVER EXPECTED!

IT'S THE ANSWER TO THE SONICVERSE'S **BIGGEST MYSTERY**—  
DON'T MISS

**"WELCOME TO WHEELWORLD!"**

AS

**"TOSSED IN SPACE"**

**CONCLUDES!**



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# TOSSED IN SPACE CONCLUDES WITH THE TRIAL OF THE BEM



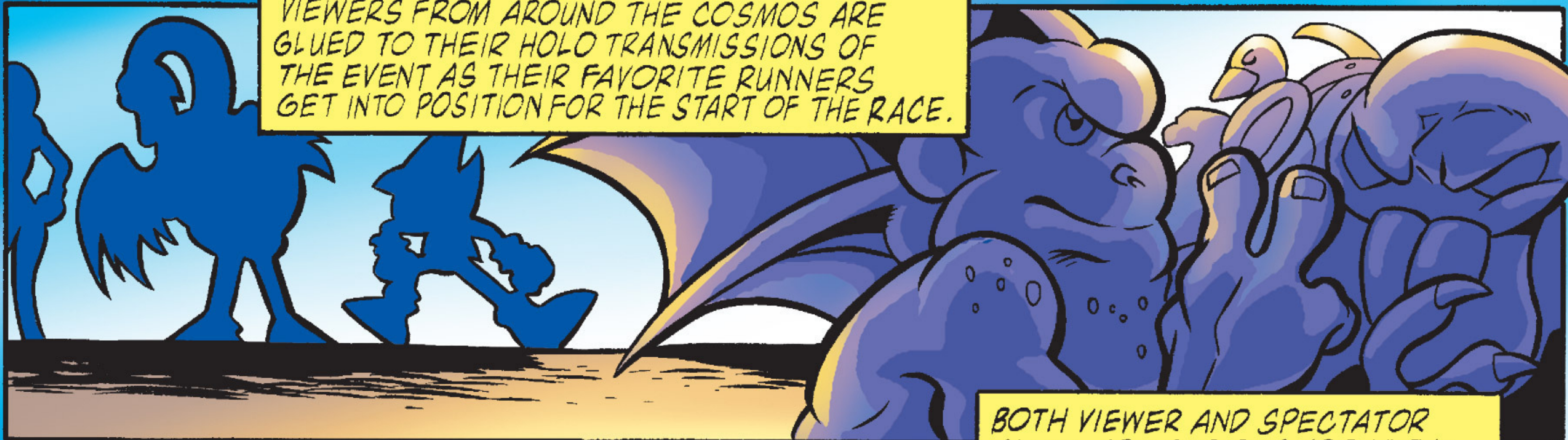
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IN THE FARTHEST REACHES OF KNOWN SPACE, THERE EXISTS A LIFELESS PLANET.

THE PLANET, HOWEVER, CARRIES UPON ITS SURFACE A BUBBLE WITH A CITY TEeming WITH LIFE.

IN THAT CITY ARE INHABITANTS READY TO ENJOY ONE OF THEIR FAVORITE PASTIMES: THE GALACTIC SPACE RACE.



VIEWERS FROM AROUND THE COSMOS ARE GLUED TO THEIR HOLO TRANSMISSIONS OF THE EVENT AS THEIR FAVORITE RUNNERS GET INTO POSITION FOR THE START OF THE RACE.

BOTH VIEWER AND SPECTATOR ALIKE ARE CURIOUS ABOUT THE LITTLE BLUE ALIEN THAT HAS SIGNED UP FOR THE COMPETITION.

HE IS...

**SONIC**

THE HEDGEHOG

AND HE'S READY FOR THE RACE OF A LIFETIME.

**"TOSSED IN SPACE"**  
PART SIX  
**SPACE GAMBLE**

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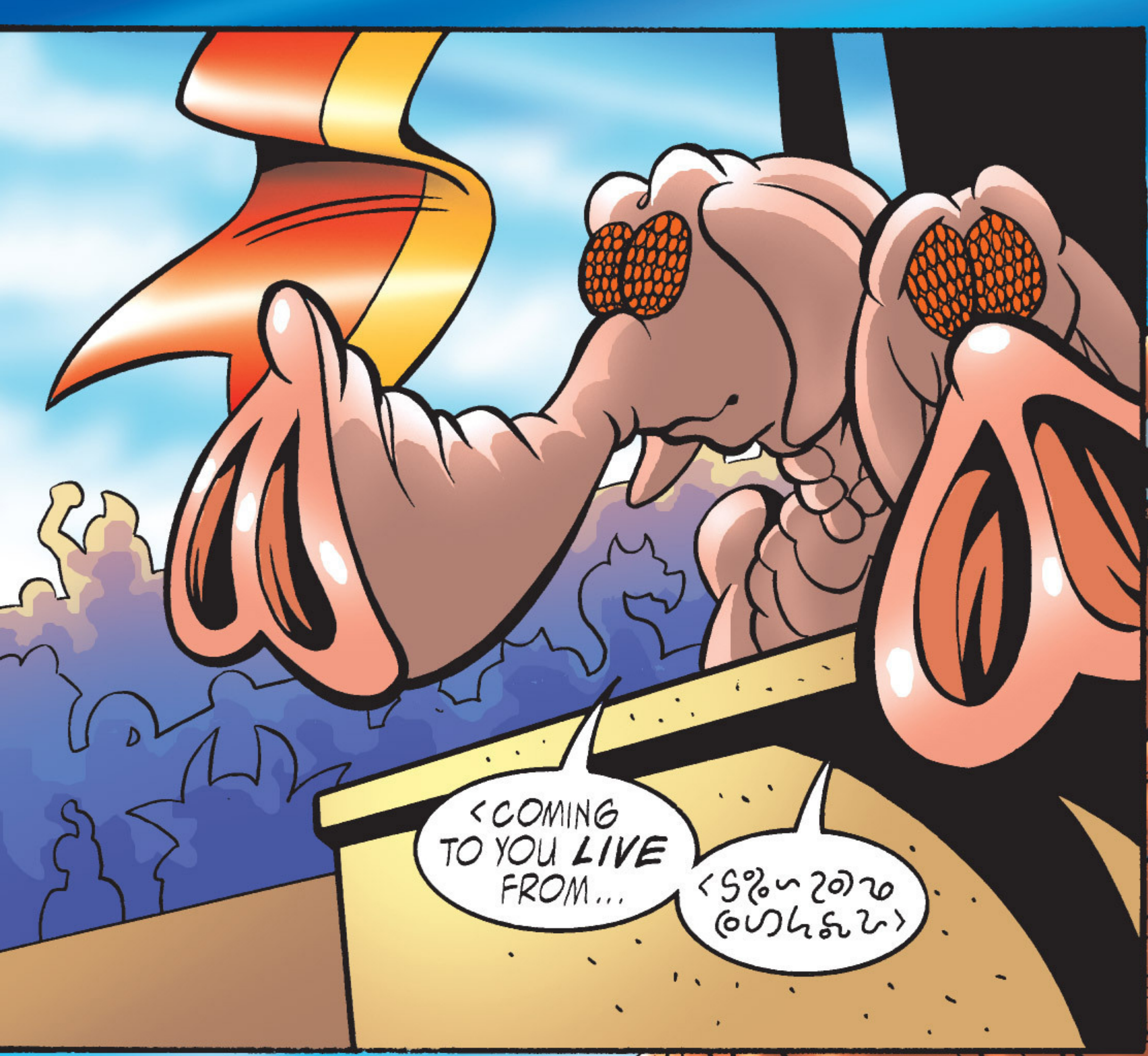
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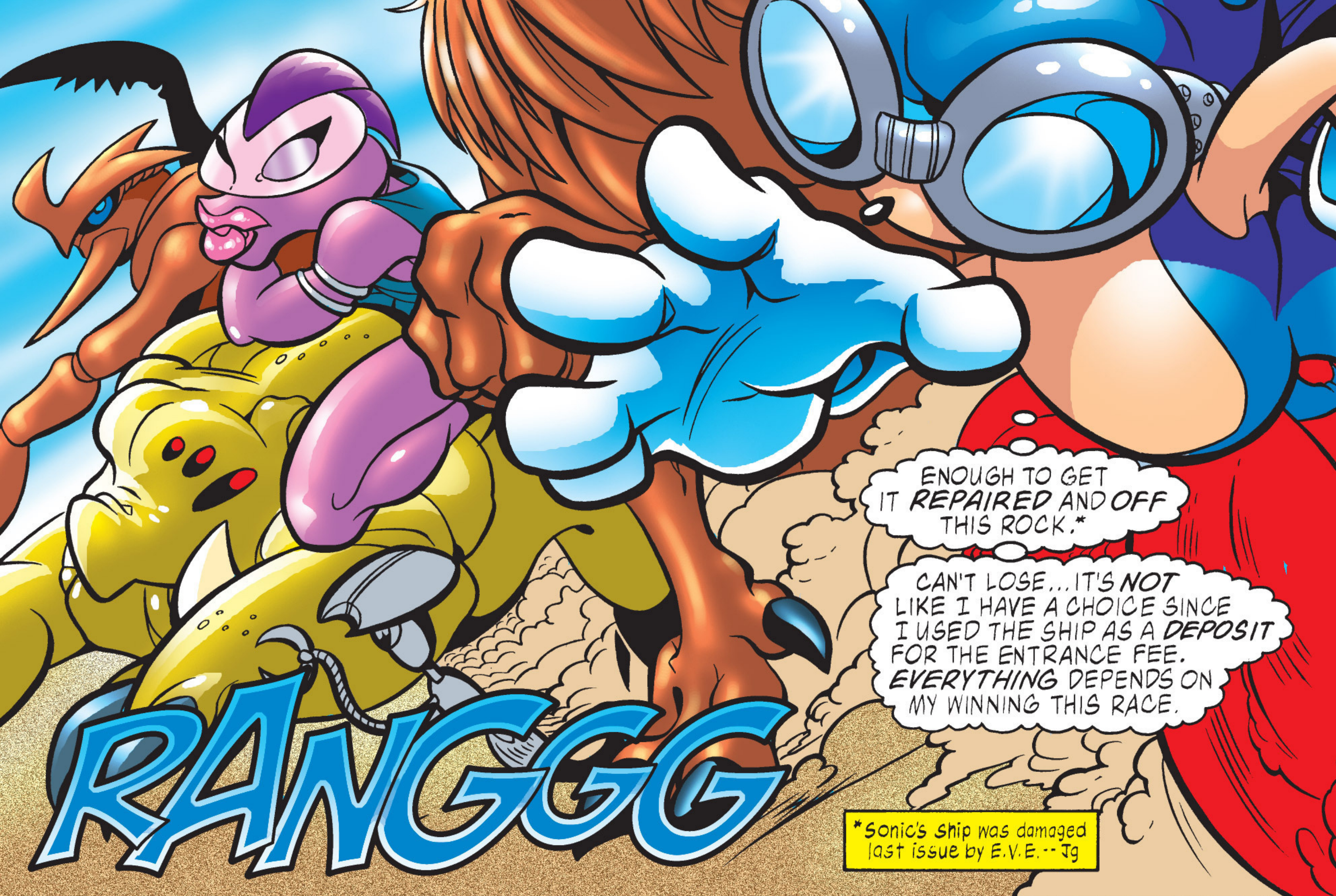
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ALL RIGHT, SONIC. YOU THINK YOU'RE THE *FASTEST KID* IN THE GALAXY, NOW IT'S TIME TO *PROVE IT*, IF I'M GOING TO WIN THAT *PRIZE* AND KEEP MY *SHIP*.

< COMING TO YOU LIVE FROM... >

< 9%~20% @S452 >



ENOUGH TO GET IT *REPAIRED* AND OFF THIS *ROCK*.\*

CAN'T LOSE... IT'S NOT LIKE I HAVE A CHOICE SINCE I USED THE *SHIP* AS A *DEPOSIT* FOR THE *ENTRANCE FEE*. *EVERYTHING* DEPENDS ON MY WINNING THIS *RACE*.

\* Sonic's ship was damaged last issue by E.V.E. -- Jg

WHOA! THAT MUST BE THE *STARTING SIGNAL*. BETTER KEEP MY MIND ON THE *RACE*.

WHO KNOWS WHAT *SPEEDS* THIS GROUP OF *FREAKAZOIDS* I'M RACING AGAINST ARE CAPABLE OF.

HEADING DOWN THE *STRETCH*...

...SCARABB,

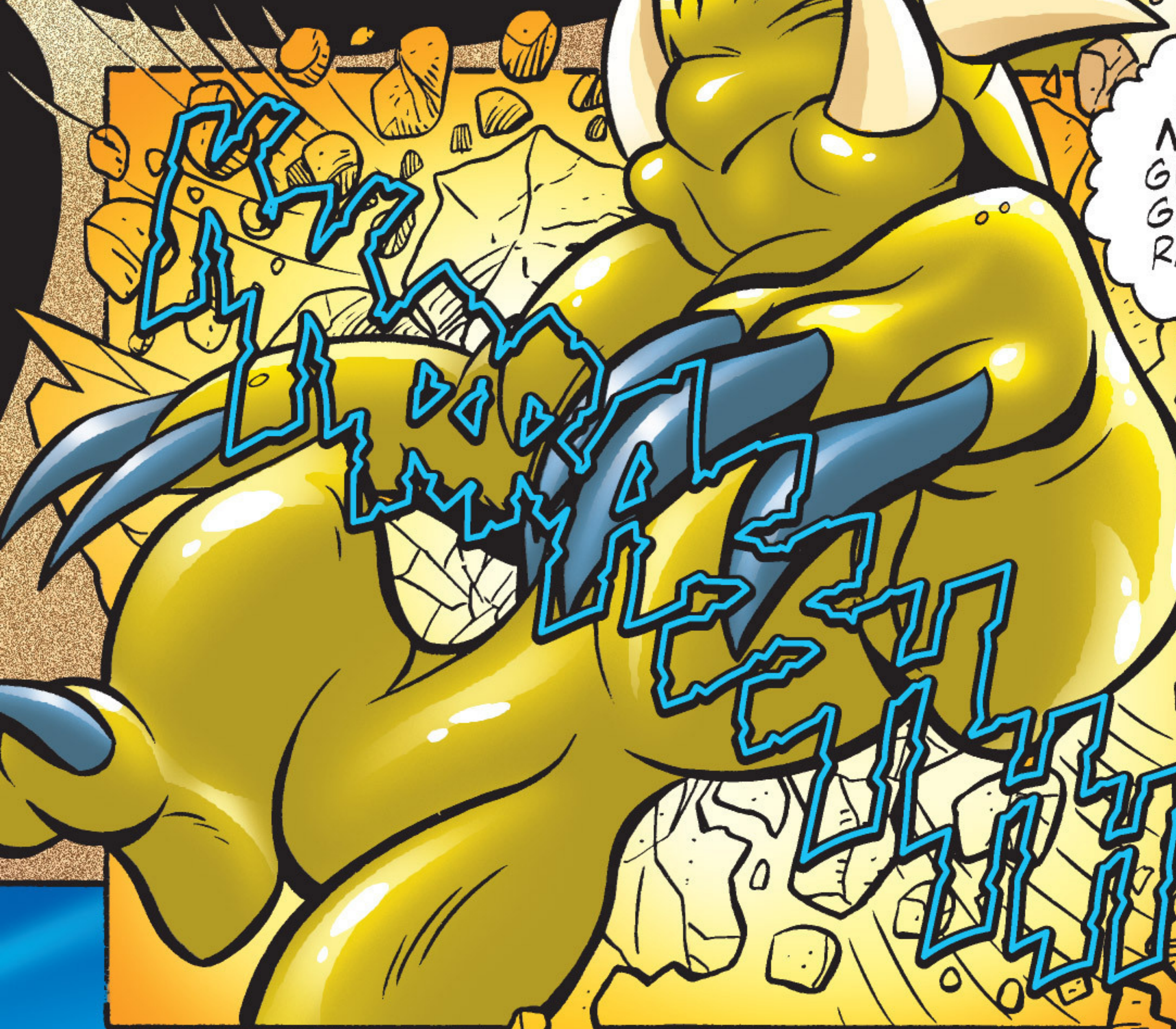
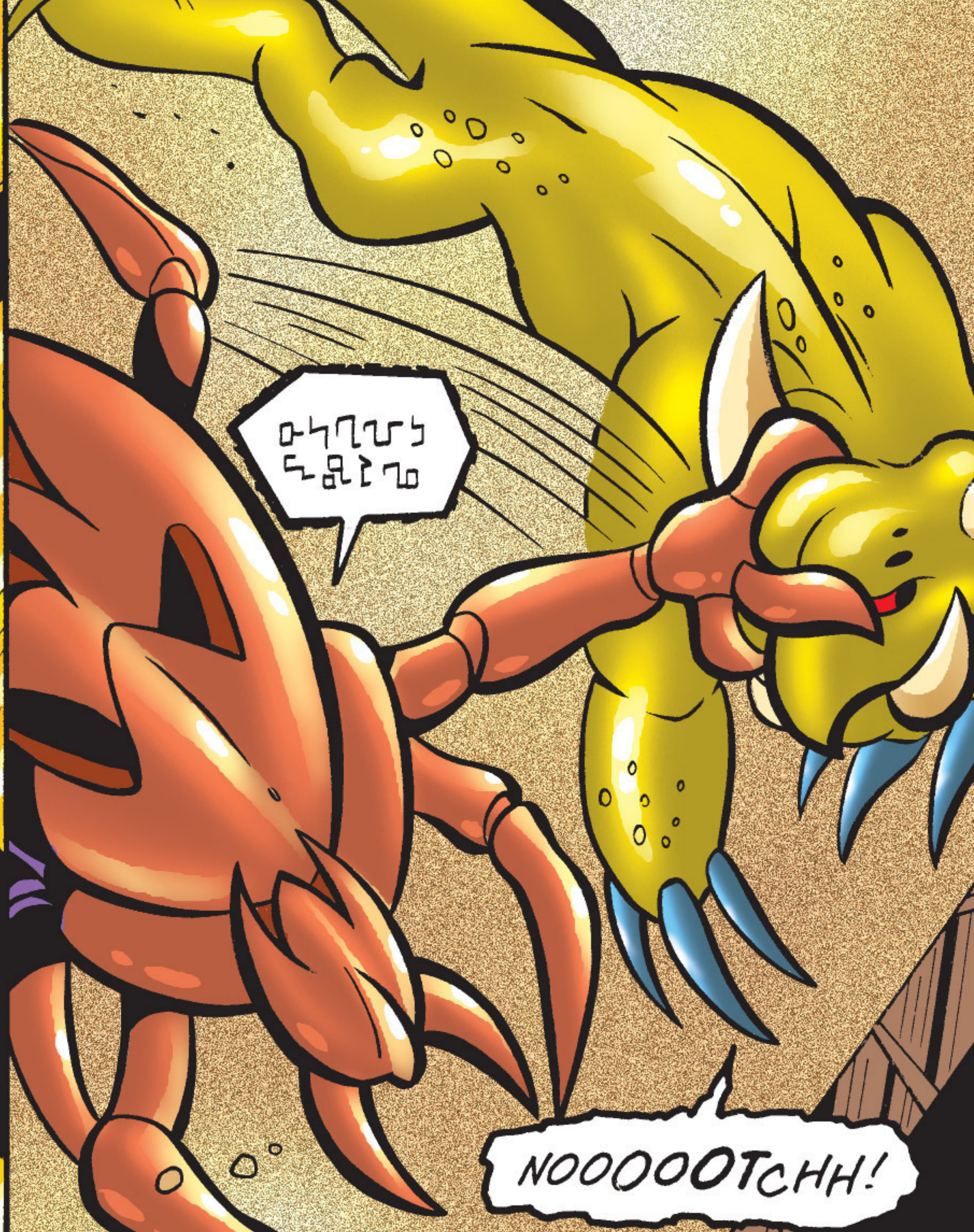
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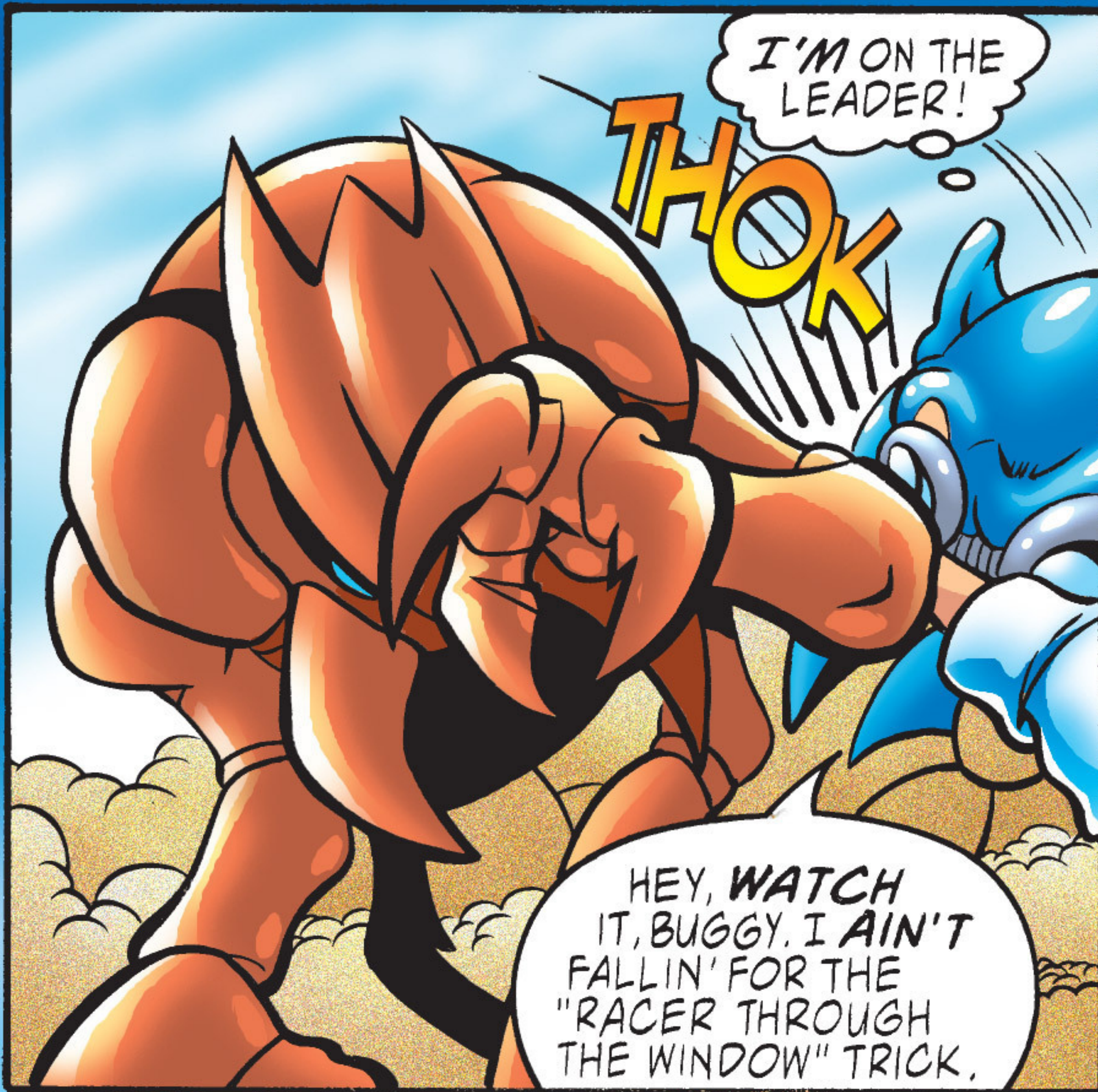
NORDON,

KIR-TA,

BRRE-DIE,

AND SONIC THE HEDGEHOG.





I'M ON THE LEADER!

THOK

HEY, WATCH IT, BUGGY. I AIN'T FALLIN' FOR THE "RACER THROUGH THE WINDOW" TRICK.

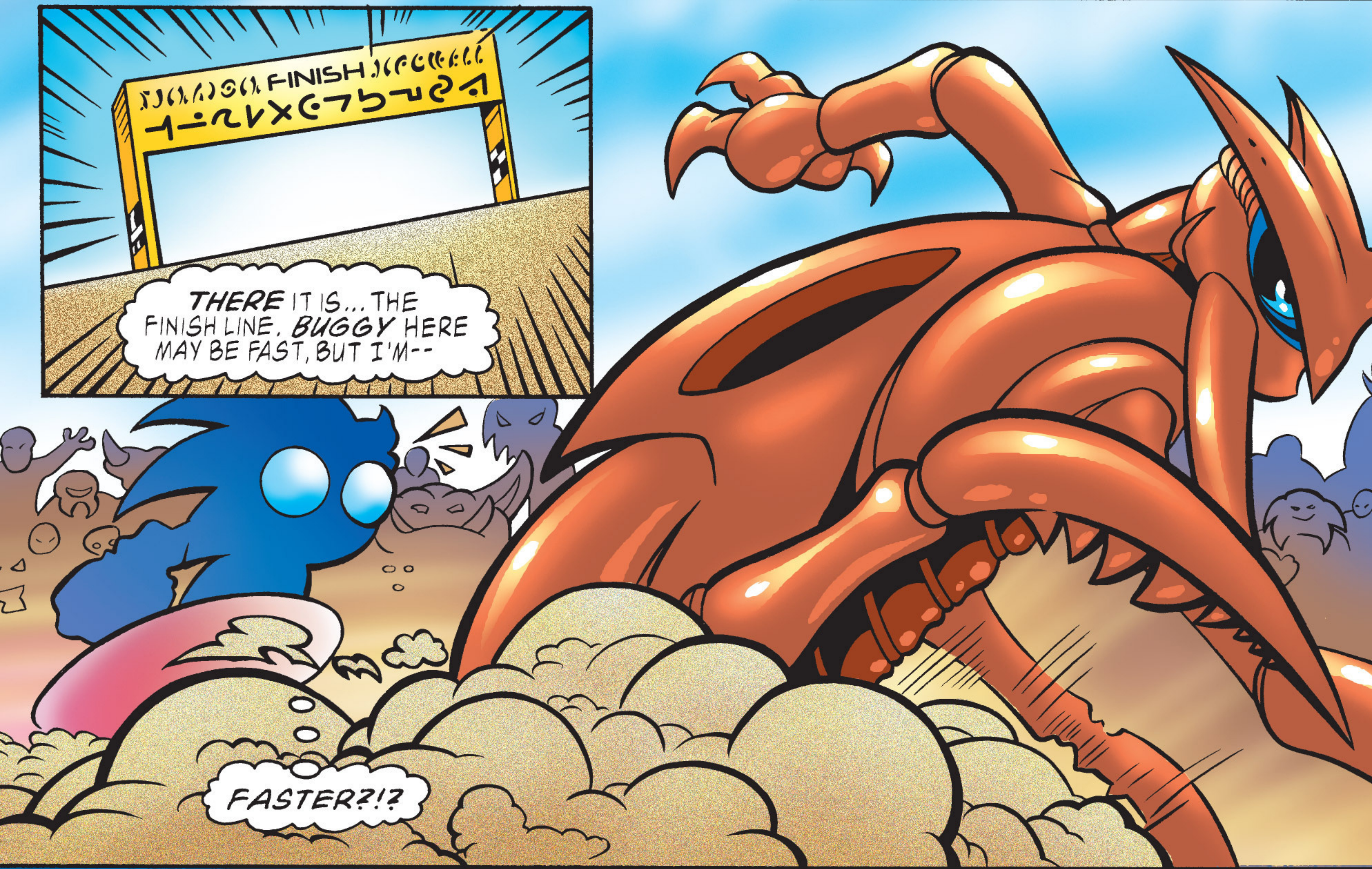


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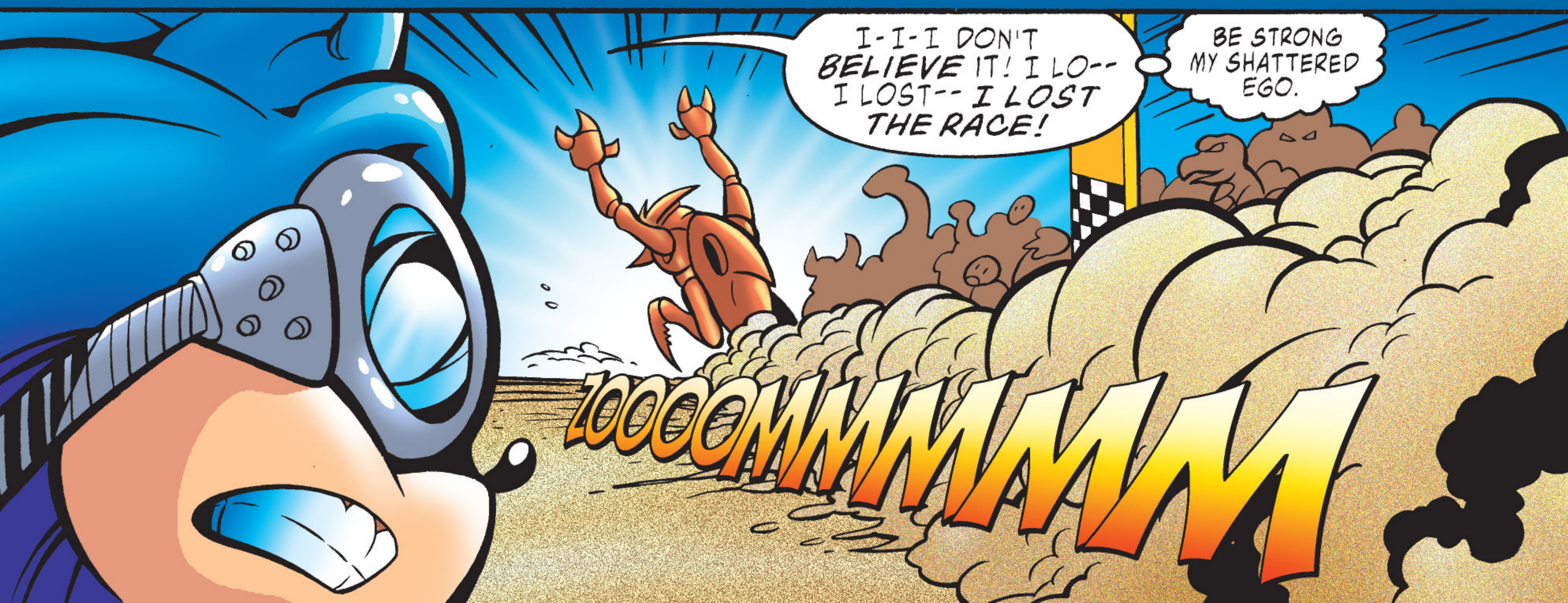
WHOA... GRANDMA, WHAT BIG CLAWS YOU HAVE!



THERE IT IS... THE FINISH LINE, BUGGY HERE MAY BE FAST, BUT I'M--



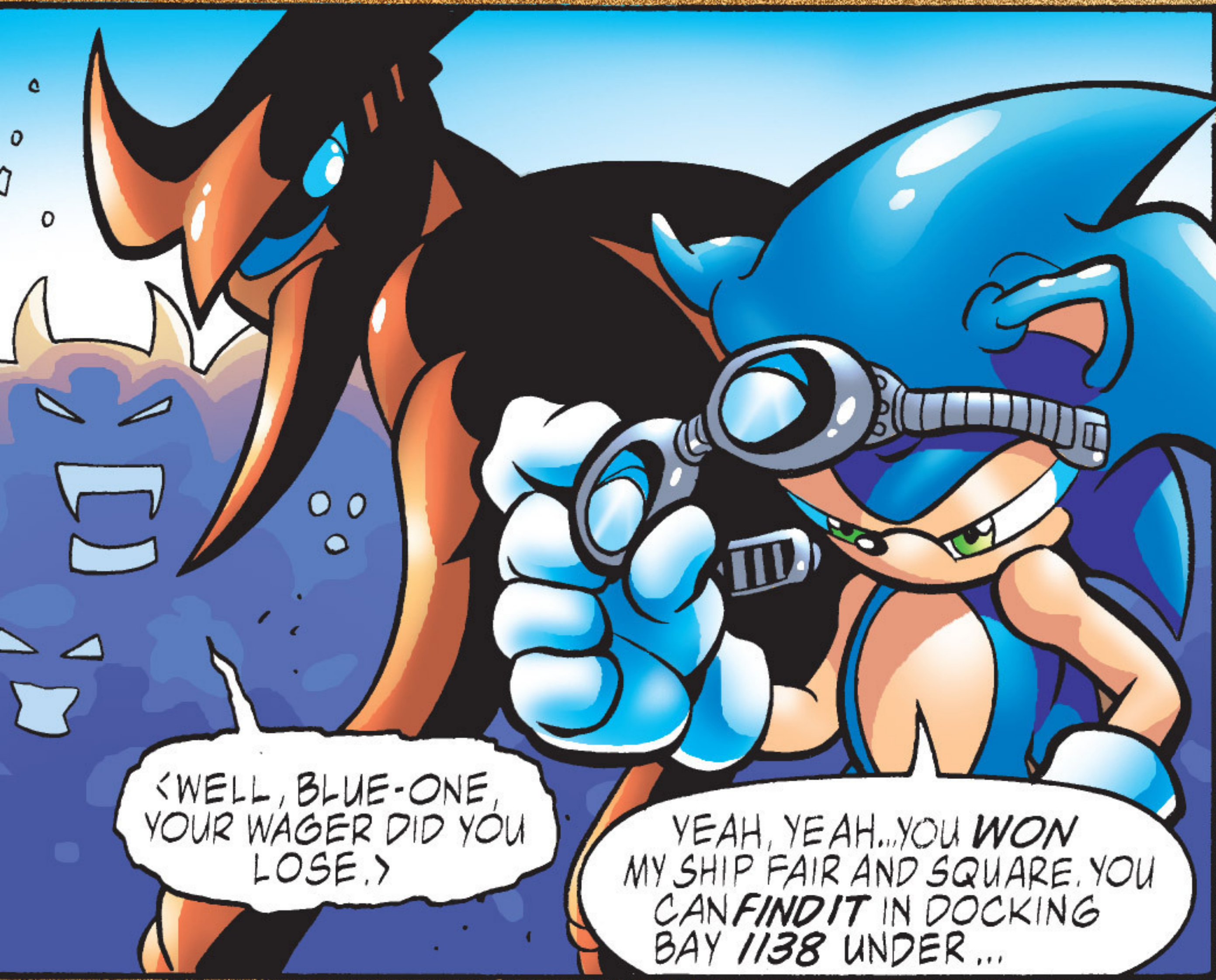
FASTER?!?



I-I-I DON'T BELIEVE IT! I LO-- I LOST-- I LOST THE RACE!

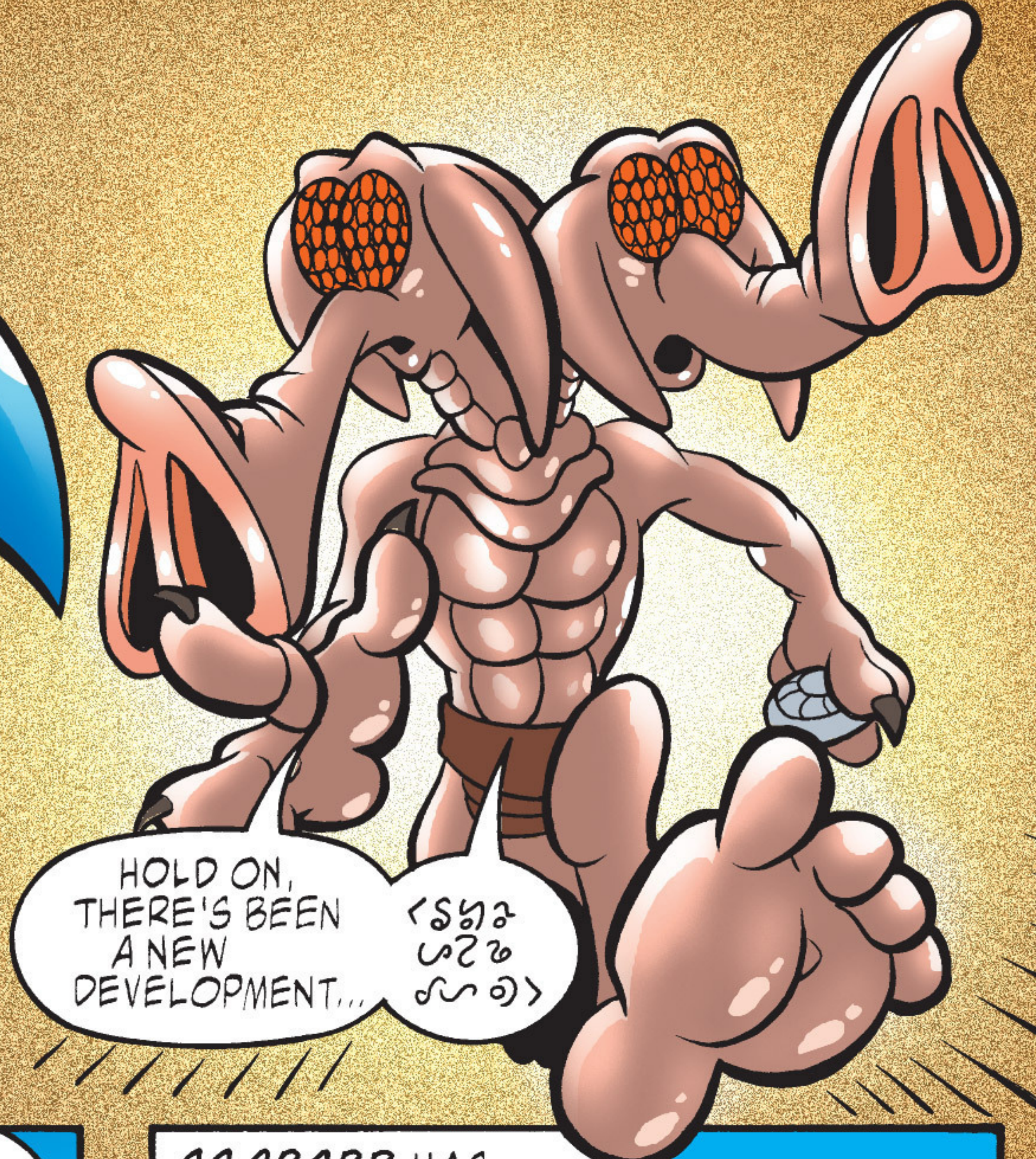
BE STRONG MY SHATTERED EGO.

BOOM



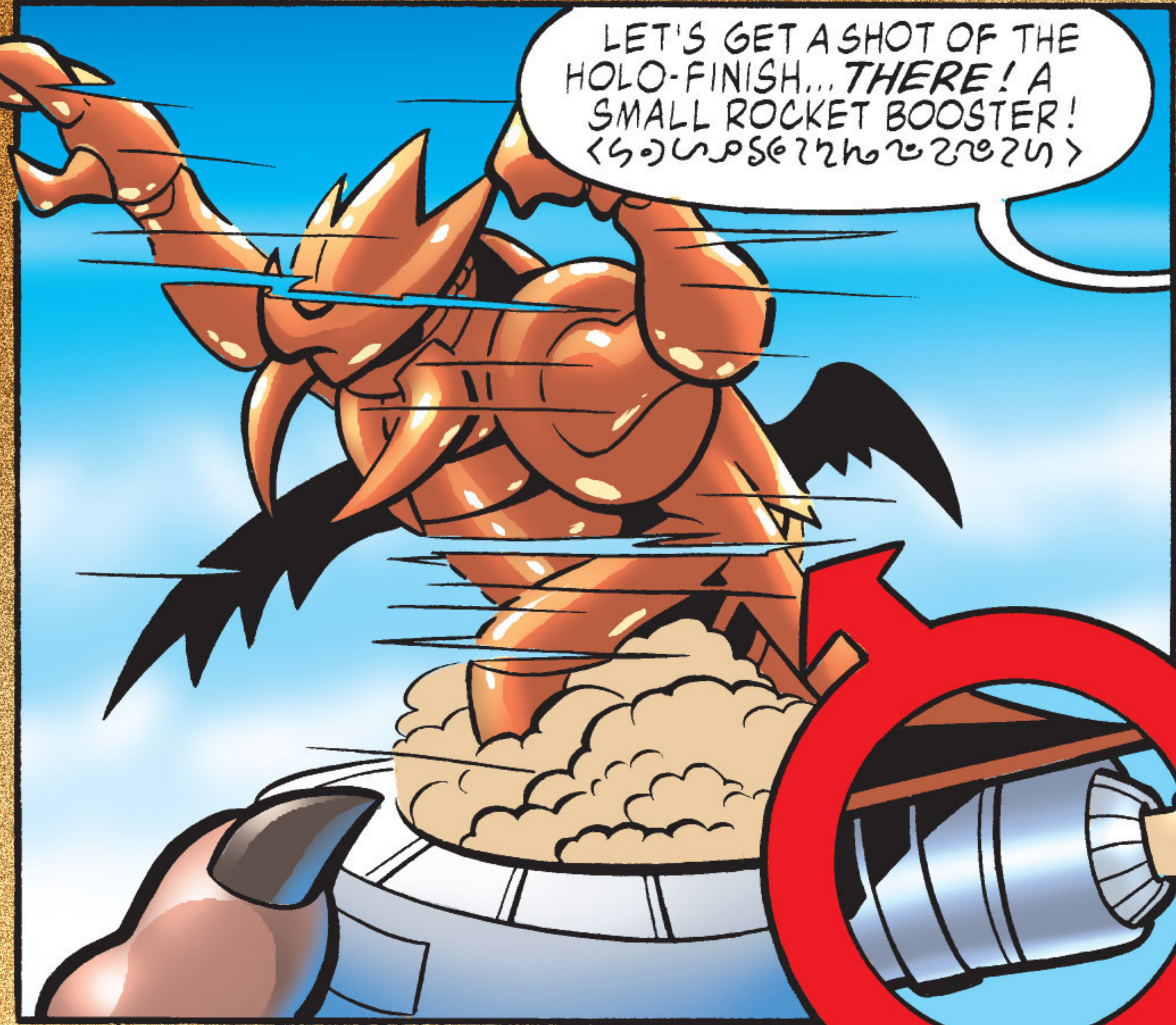
<WELL, BLUE-ONE, YOUR WAGER DID YOU LOSE.>

YEAH, YEAH...YOU WON MY SHIP FAIR AND SQUARE. YOU CAN FIND IT IN DOCKING BAY 1138 UNDER...

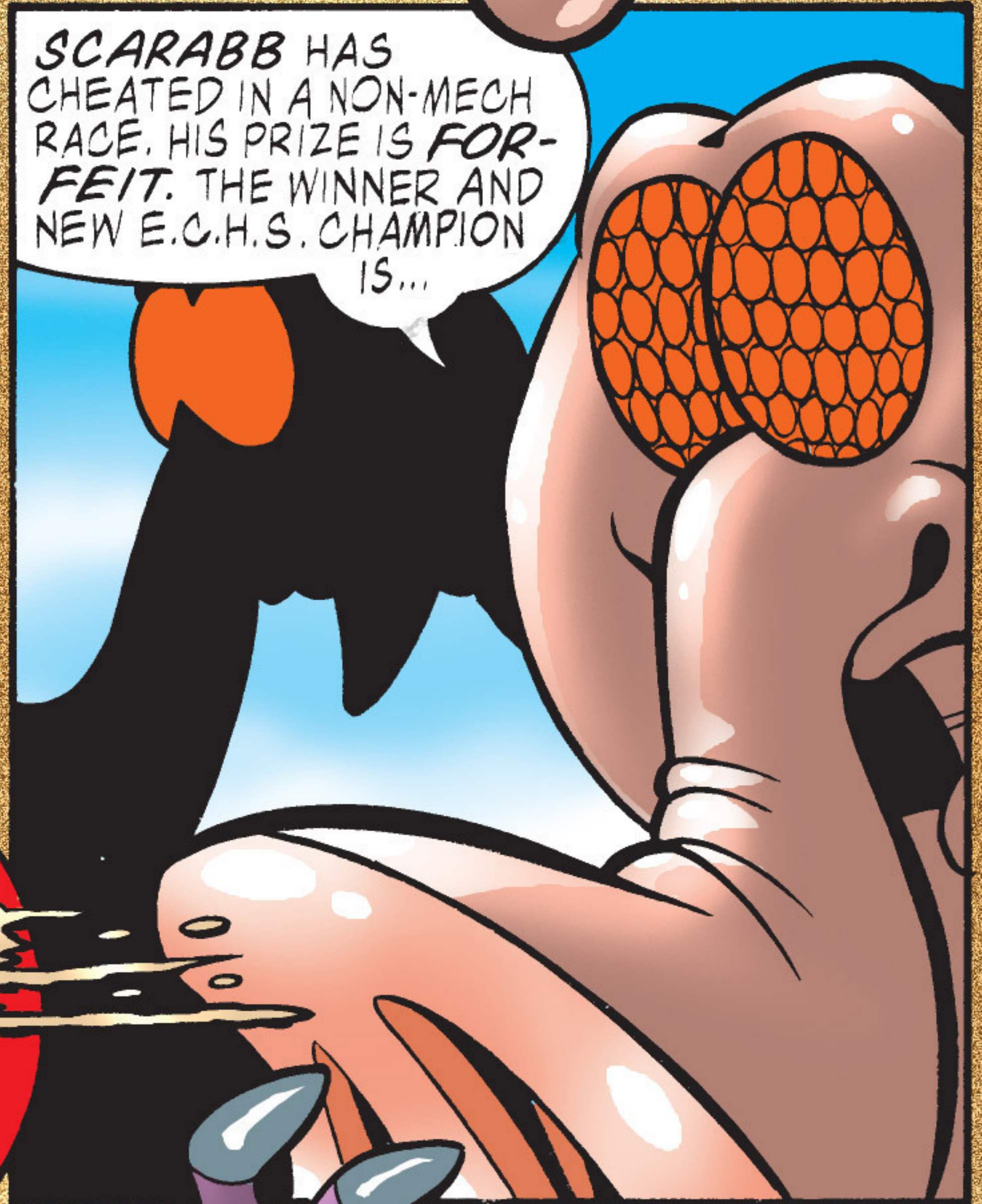


HOLD ON, THERE'S BEEN A NEW DEVELOPMENT...

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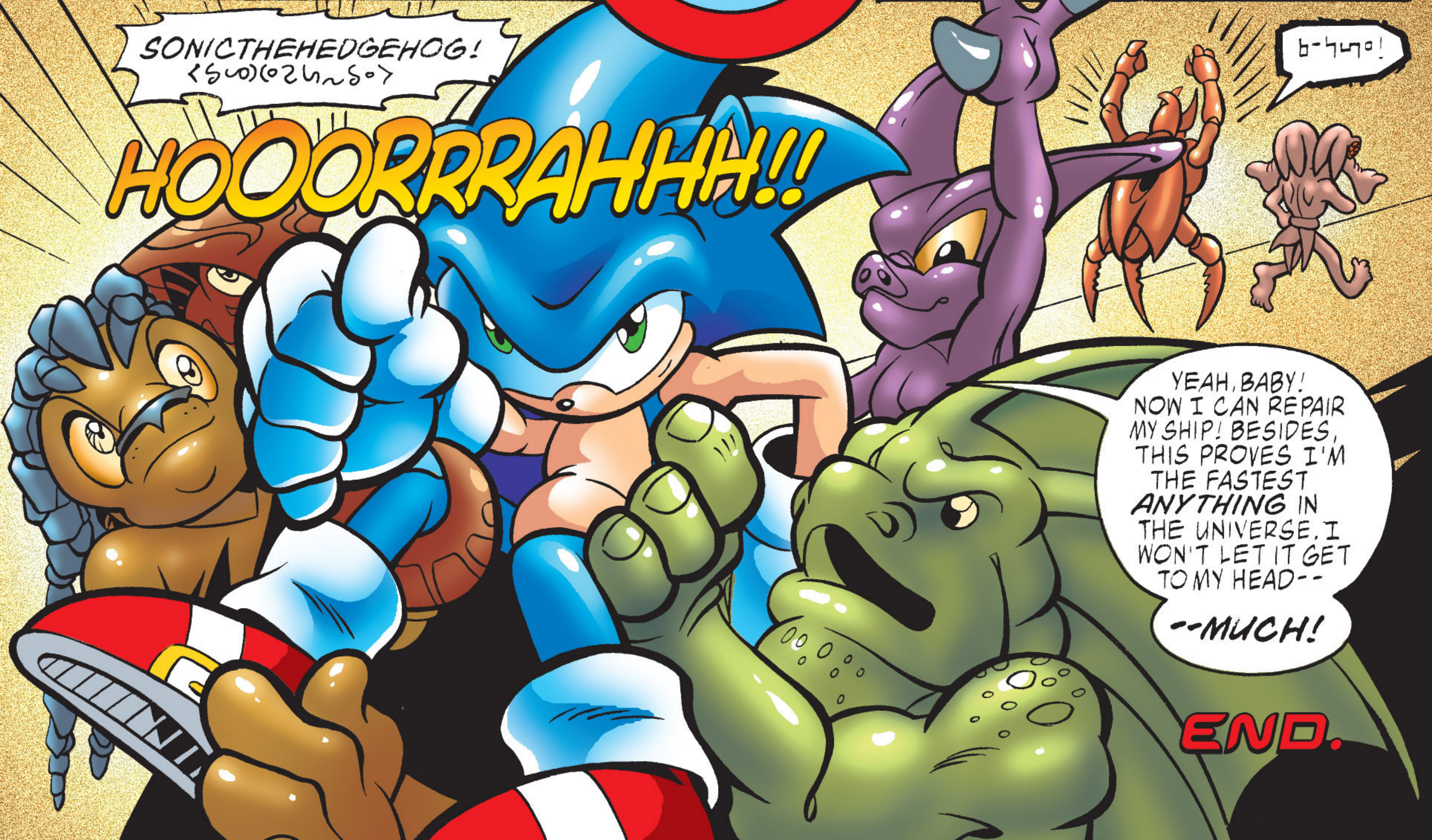
LET'S GET A SHOT OF THE HOLO-FINISH... THERE! A SMALL ROCKET BOOSTER! <S42 622 82 9>



SCARABB HAS CHEATED IN A NON-MECH RACE. HIS PRIZE IS FORFEIT. THE WINNER AND NEW E.C.H.S. CHAMPION IS...

SONIC THE HEDGEHOG! <S42 622 82 9>

**HOOORRRRAHHH!!**



YEAH, BABY! NOW I CAN REPAIR MY SHIP! BESIDES, THIS PROVES I'M THE FASTEST ANYTHING IN THE UNIVERSE. I WON'T LET IT GET TO MY HEAD-- --MUCH!

**END.**

# TOSSED IN SPACE

PART 7

STARRING  
**SONIC**  
THE HEDGEHOG

# WELCOME TO THE WHEELWORLD

**R**IGHT THIS SECOND, IN A REALLY, REALLY FAR OFF GALAXY...

THERE IT IS, AT THE EXACT COORDINATES E.V.E. GAVE ME--**ARGENTIUM**, THE **BEM** HOMEWORLD.

IF ANYONE KNOWS THE WAY TO MOBILUS, THEY DO-- THEY'VE **BEEN** THERE BEFORE.

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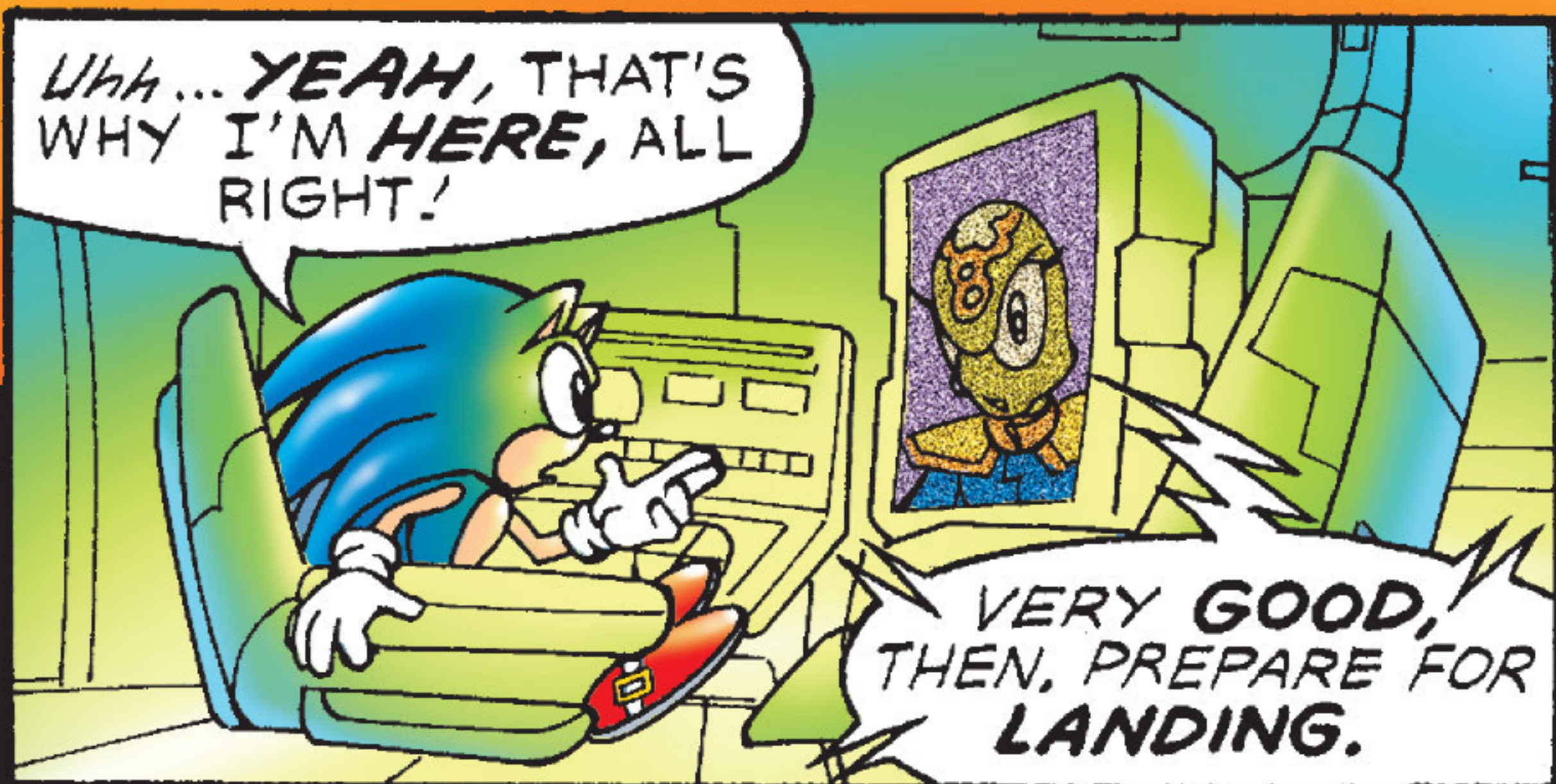
STATE YOUR REASON FOR VISITING ARGENTIUM, SPACEFARER.

REASON?

YES, IT MEANS "WHY ARE YOU HERE?" WILL YOU BE ATTENDING THE TRIAL OF **CENECA-9009**? NO VISITORS ARE ALLOWED OTHERWISE.

I DON'T KNOW WHAT "CENECA-9009" IS, BUT I CAN'T BE SENT AWAY NOW-- E.V.E. SAID THE KEY TO GETTING HOME LIES SOMEWHERE ON THIS OVER-SIZED **SPACE-DONUT!**

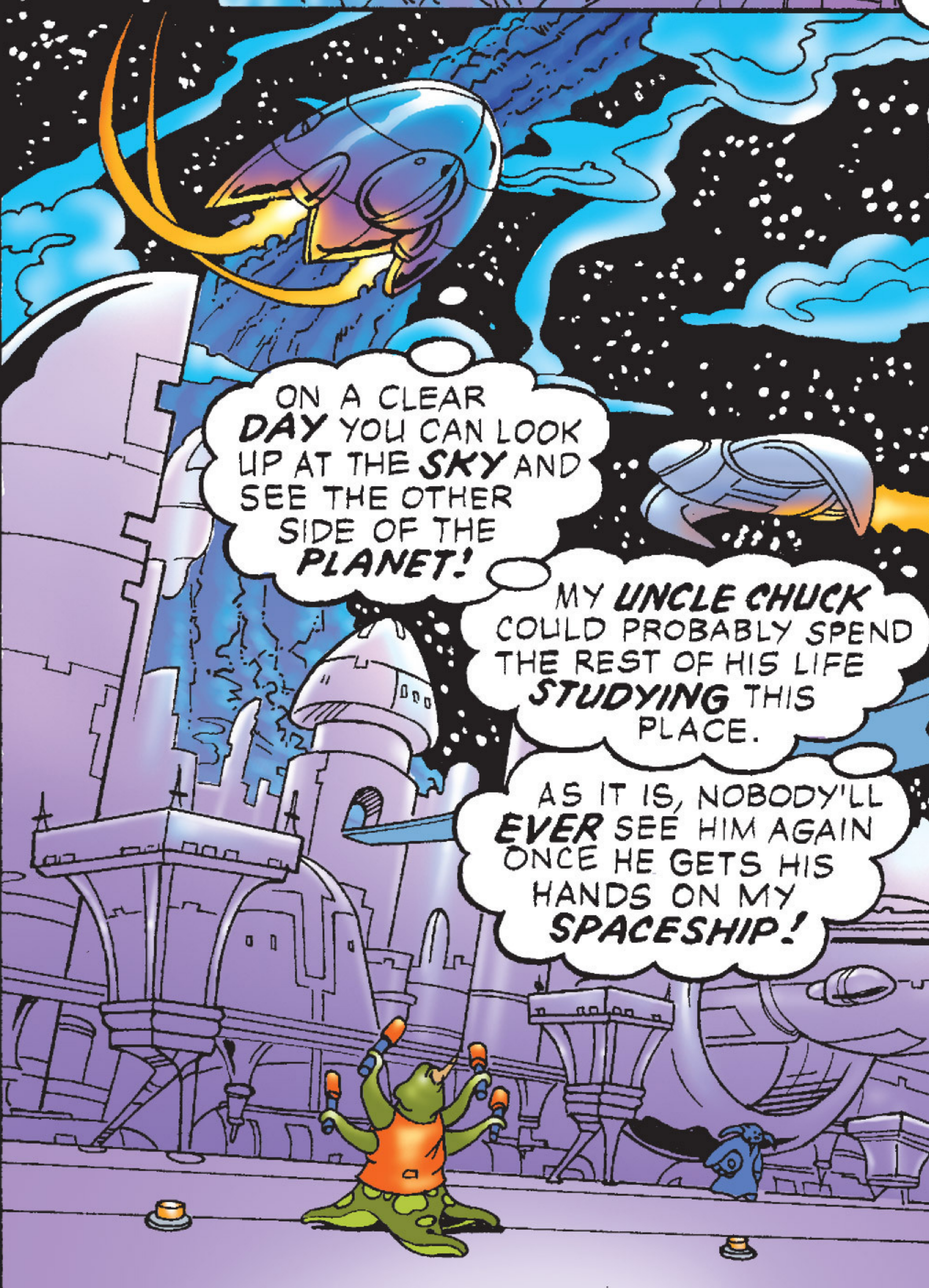




Uhh... **YEAH**, THAT'S WHY I'M **HERE**, ALL RIGHT!

**VERY GOOD**, THEN, PREPARE FOR **LANDING**.

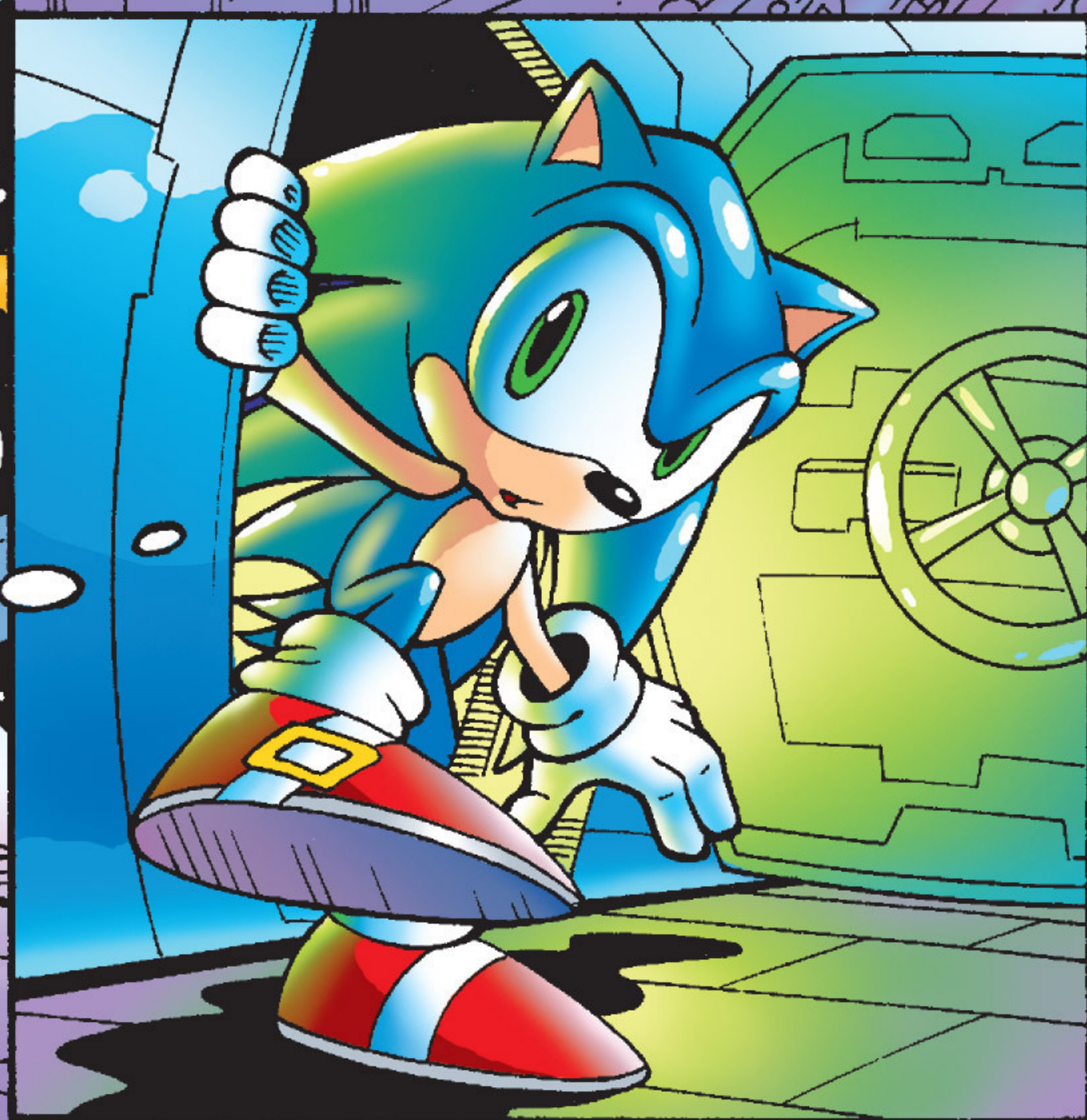
WHAT A WAY OUT WORLD! ITS OUTER RIM IS SOLID BEDROCK, WHILE ITS GRAVITY-CONTAINING "**INNER TUBE**" HAS OCEANS AND CONTINENTS--  
--CAPABLE OF SUPPORTING **LIFE!**



ON A CLEAR **DAY** YOU CAN LOOK UP AT THE **SKY** AND SEE THE OTHER SIDE OF THE **PLANET!**

MY **UNCLE CHUCK** COULD PROBABLY SPEND THE REST OF HIS LIFE **STUDYING** THIS PLACE.

AS IT IS, NOBODY'LL **EVER** SEE HIM AGAIN ONCE HE GETS HIS HANDS ON MY **SPACESHIP!**

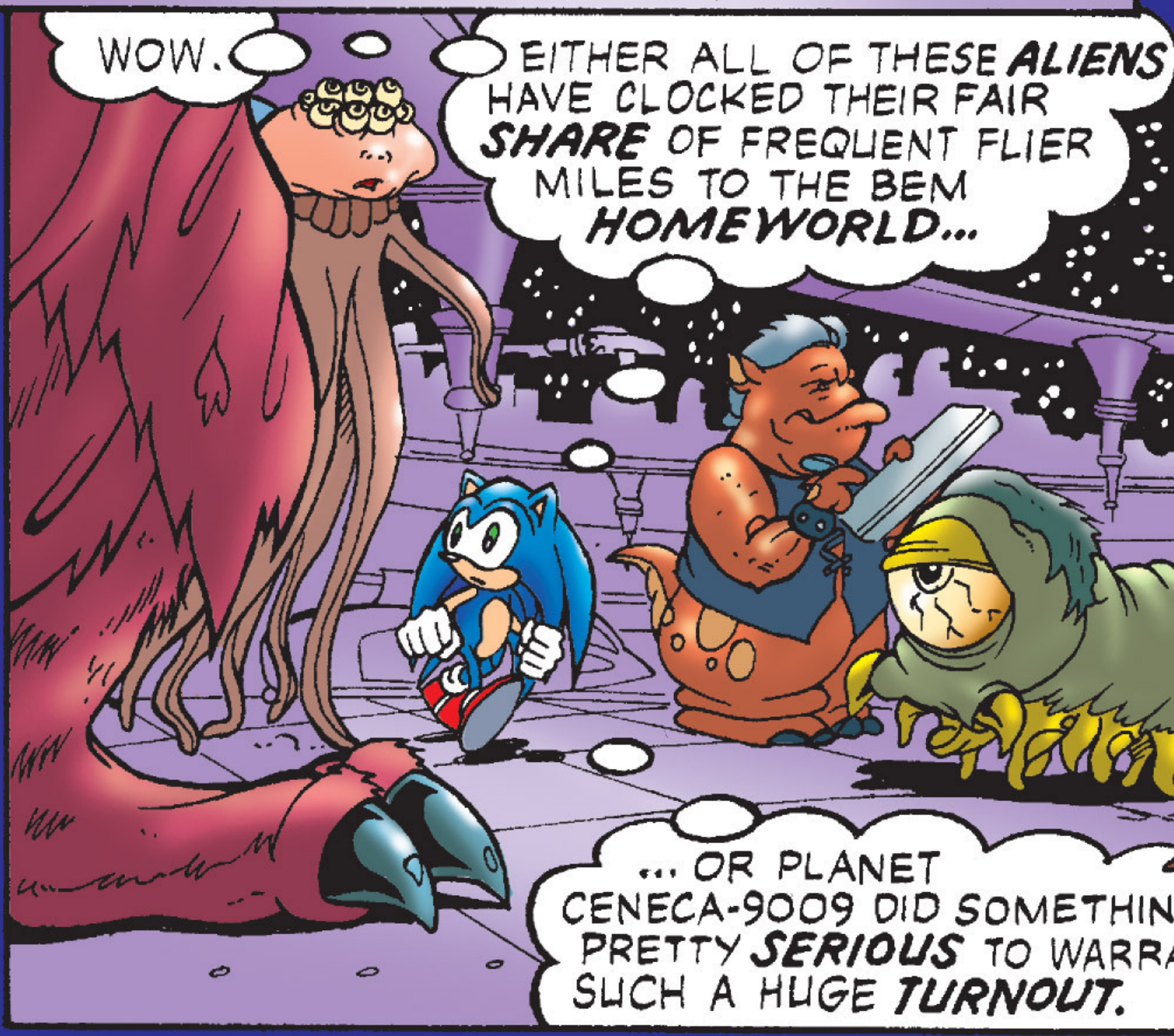


SAY, WHERE'S **CENECA-9009** LOCATED, ANYWAY?



WHERE'RE YOU **FROM**, WISE GUY? THE OTHER **SIDE** O' THE **UNIVERSE?**

Uhh... **ACTUALLY...**



WOW.

EITHER ALL OF THESE **ALIENS** HAVE CLOCKED THEIR FAIR **SHARE** OF FREQUENT FLIER MILES TO THE **BEM** **HOMEWORLD...**

... OR **PLANET CENECA-9009** DID SOMETHING PRETTY **SERIOUS** TO WARRANT SUCH A HUGE **TURNOUT**.

**M**INUTES LATER...

THIS *MUST* BE THE COURTHOUSE!

CENECA-9009, YOU **STAND** BEFORE THE **TRIBUNAL MAGISTRATE** OF PLANET ARGENTIUM...

... ON THIS THE 707th **ROLL** OF THE 63rd **ROTATIONAL SPIN**...

... ACCUSED OF **CRIMINAL DIS-OBEDIENCE** AGAINST THE ARGENTIUM **HIGH COMMAND**

HOW DO YOU **PLEAD?**

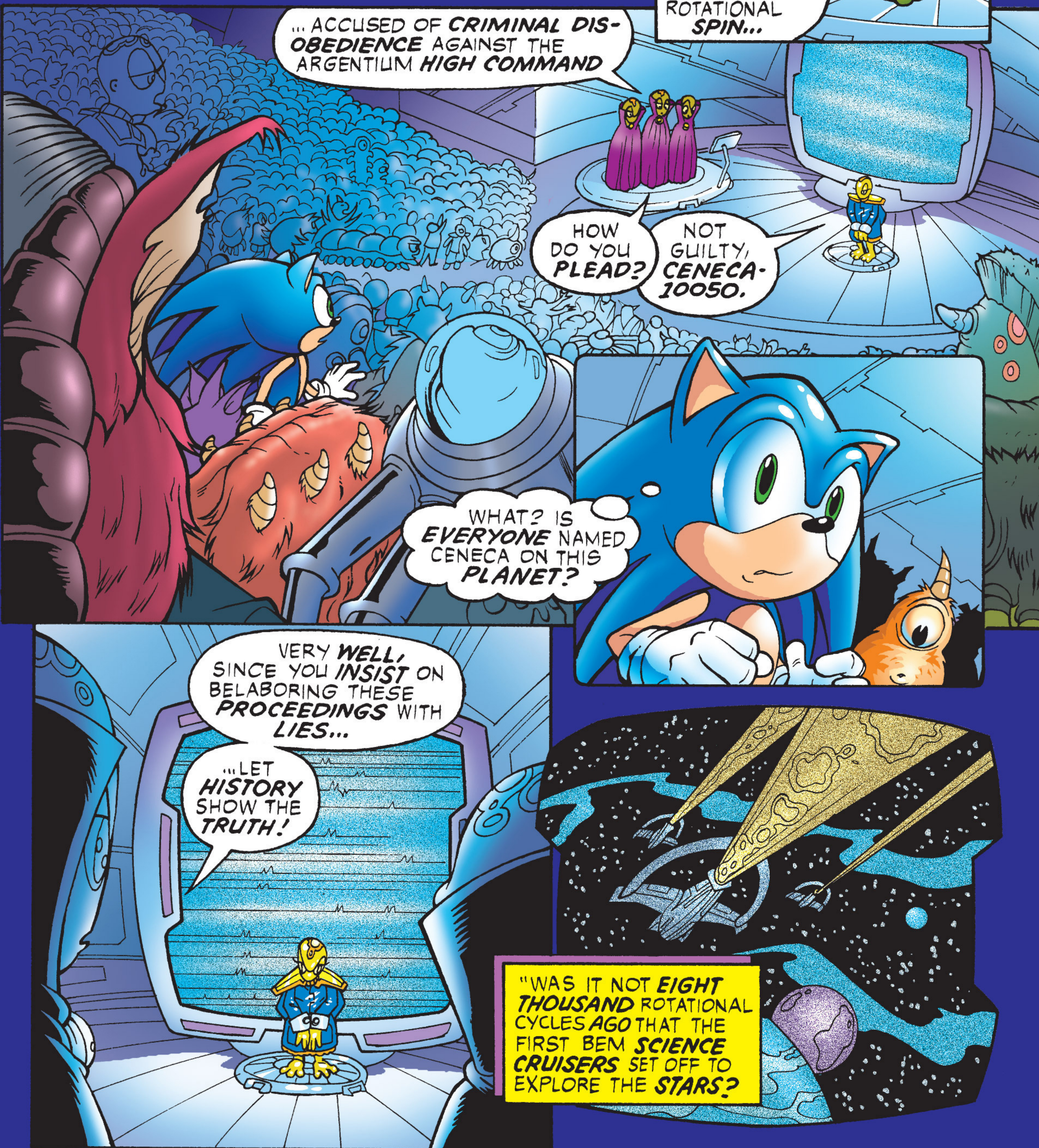
NOT **GUILTY, CENECA-10050.**

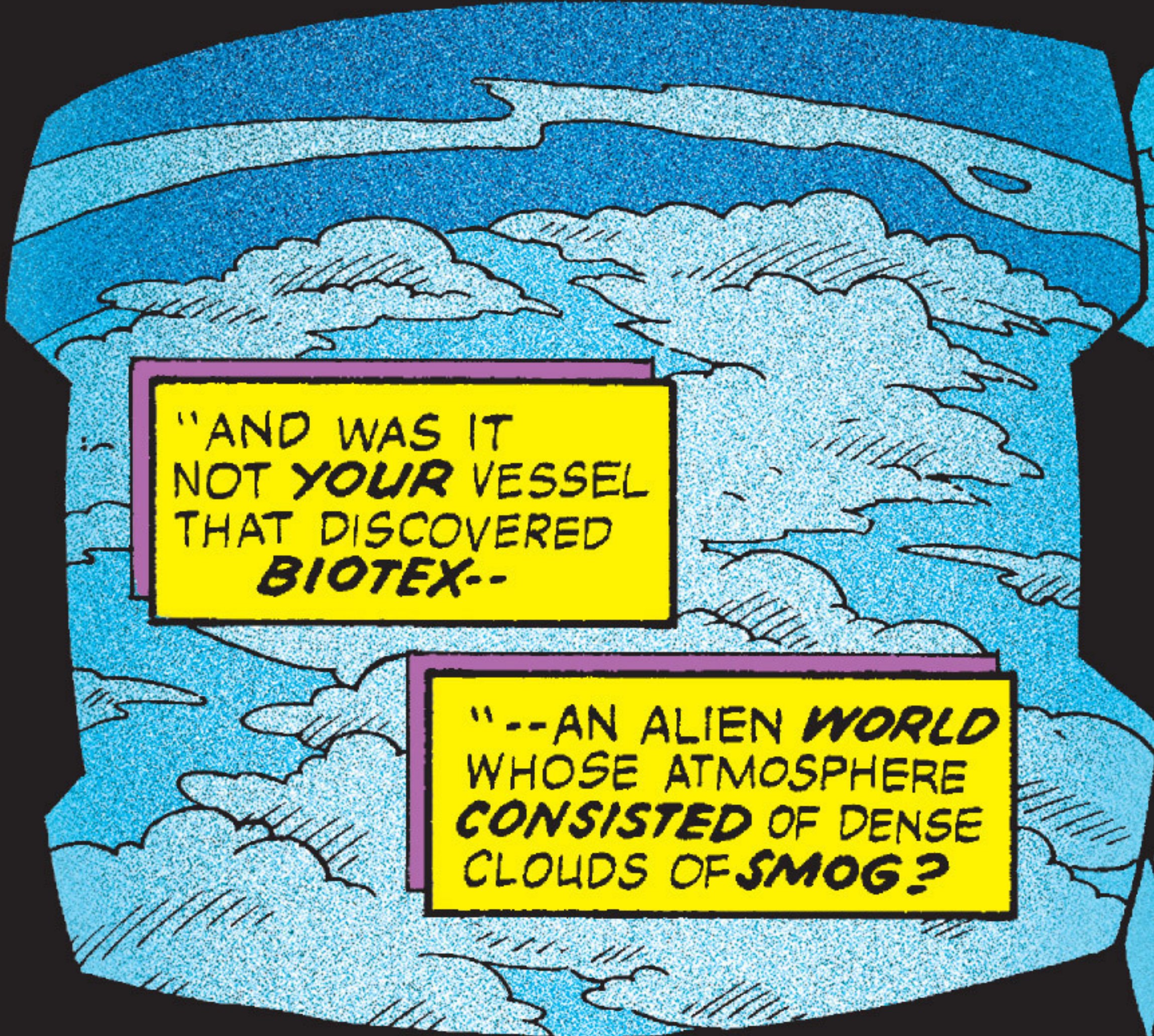
WHAT? IS **EVERYONE** NAMED CENECA ON THIS **PLANET?**

VERY **WELL**, SINCE YOU **INSIST** ON BELABORING THESE **PROCEEDINGS** WITH **LIES**...

...LET **HISTORY** SHOW THE **TRUTH!**

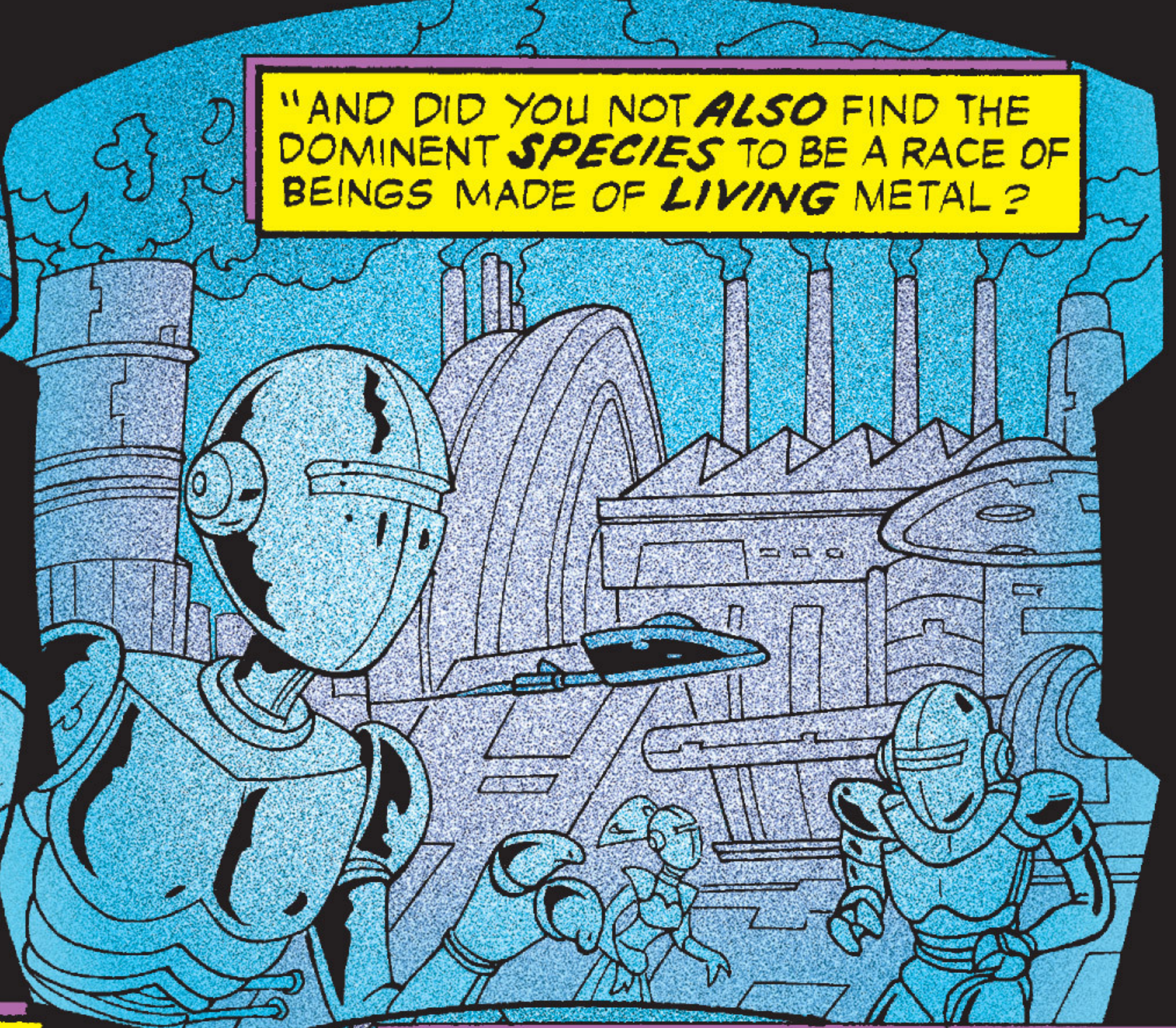
"WAS IT NOT **EIGHT THOUSAND** ROTATIONAL CYCLES AGO THAT THE FIRST **BEM SCIENCE CRUISERS** SET OFF TO EXPLORE THE **STARS?**"





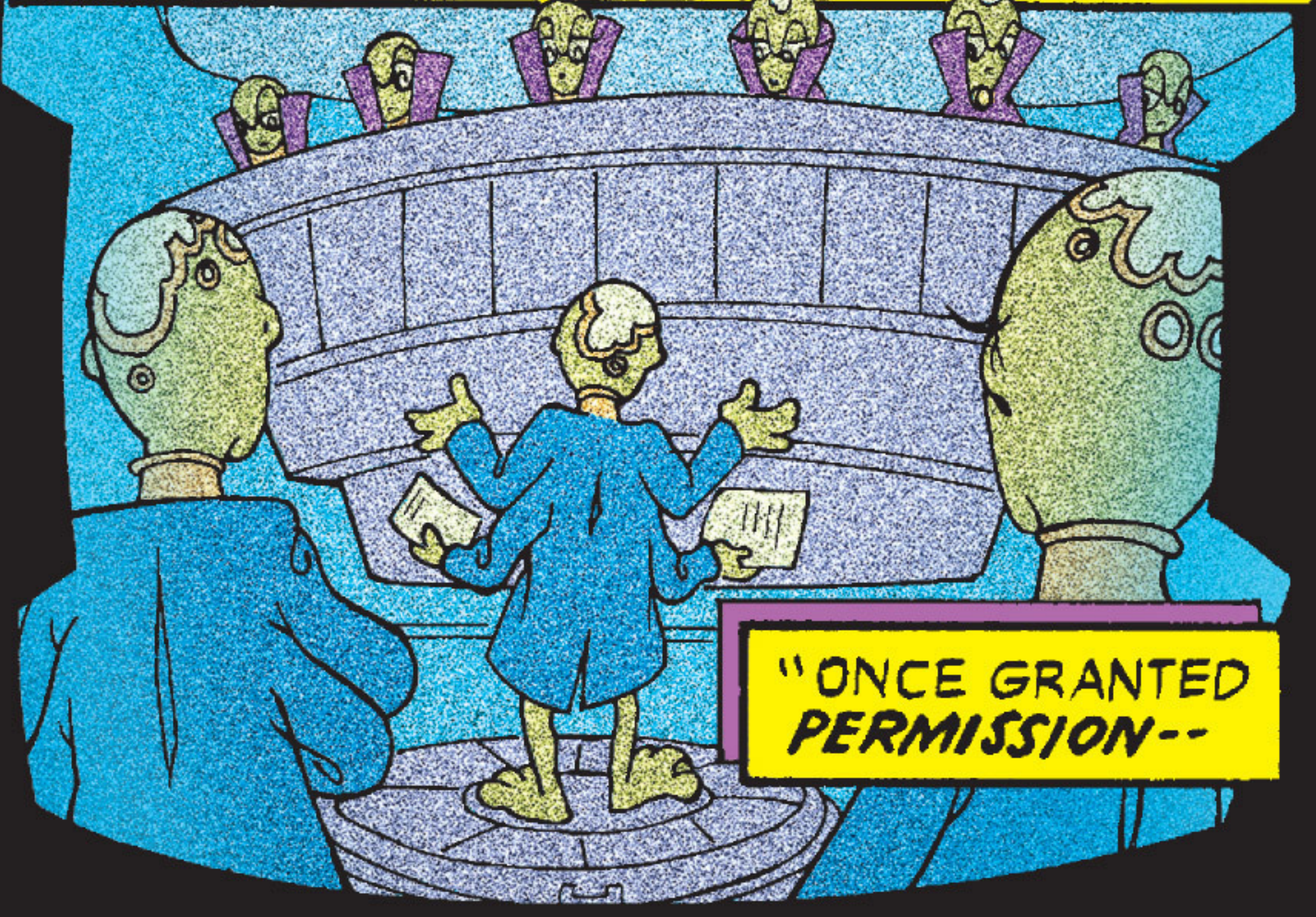
"AND WAS IT NOT **YOUR** VESSEL THAT DISCOVERED **BIOTEX**--

"--AN ALIEN **WORLD** WHOSE ATMOSPHERE CONSISTED OF DENSE CLOUDS OF **SMOG**?



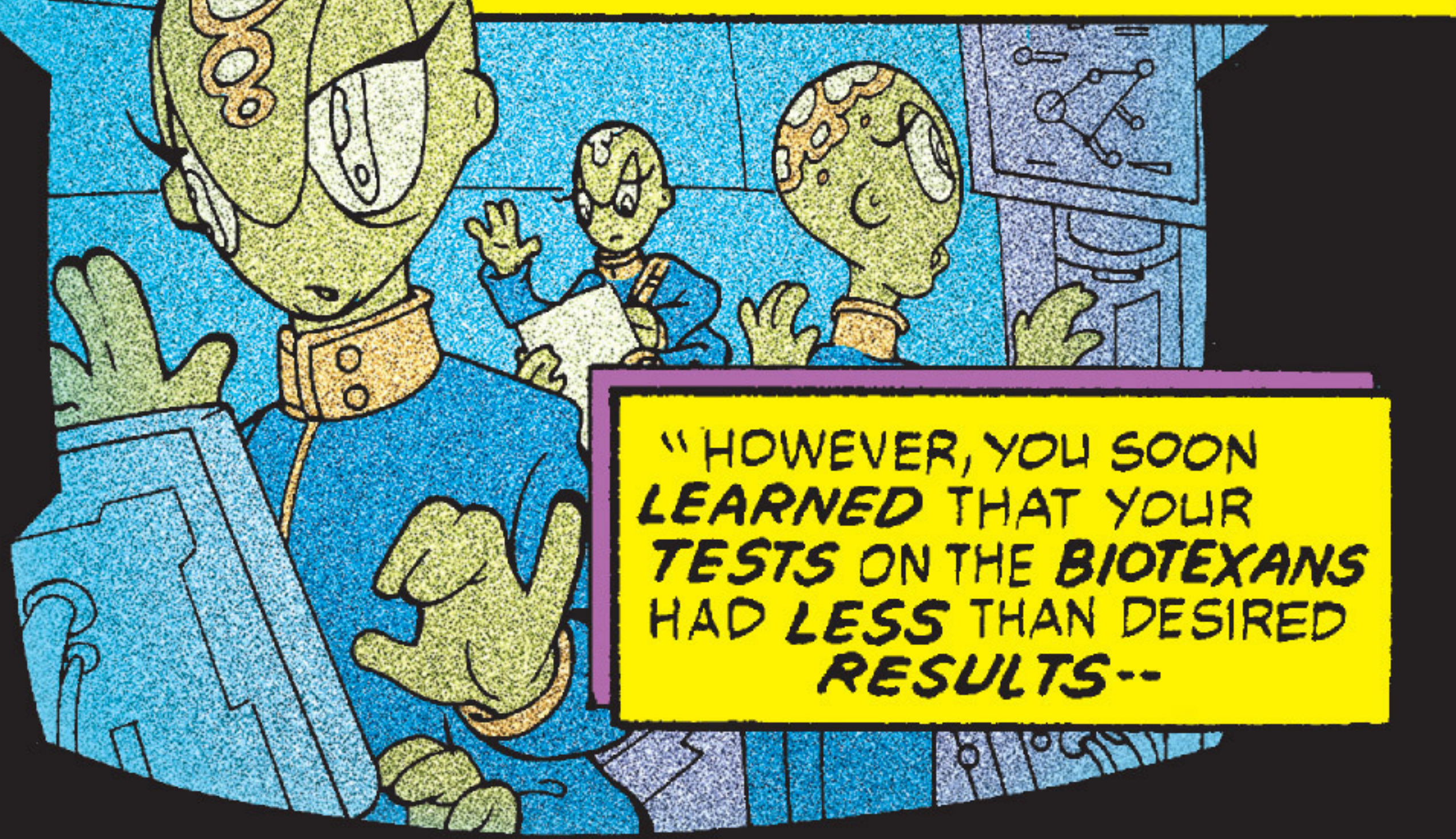
"AND DID YOU NOT **ALSO** FIND THE DOMINANT **SPECIES** TO BE A RACE OF BEINGS MADE OF **LIVING METAL**?

"SO **MOVED** BY THEIR ALLEGED **PLIGHT**, YOU WENT BEFORE THE **HIGH COMMAND** AND ASKED TO FASHION A **DEVICE** THAT WOULD TURN THEM INTO ORGANIC **CREATURES**.



"ONCE GRANTED **PERMISSION**--

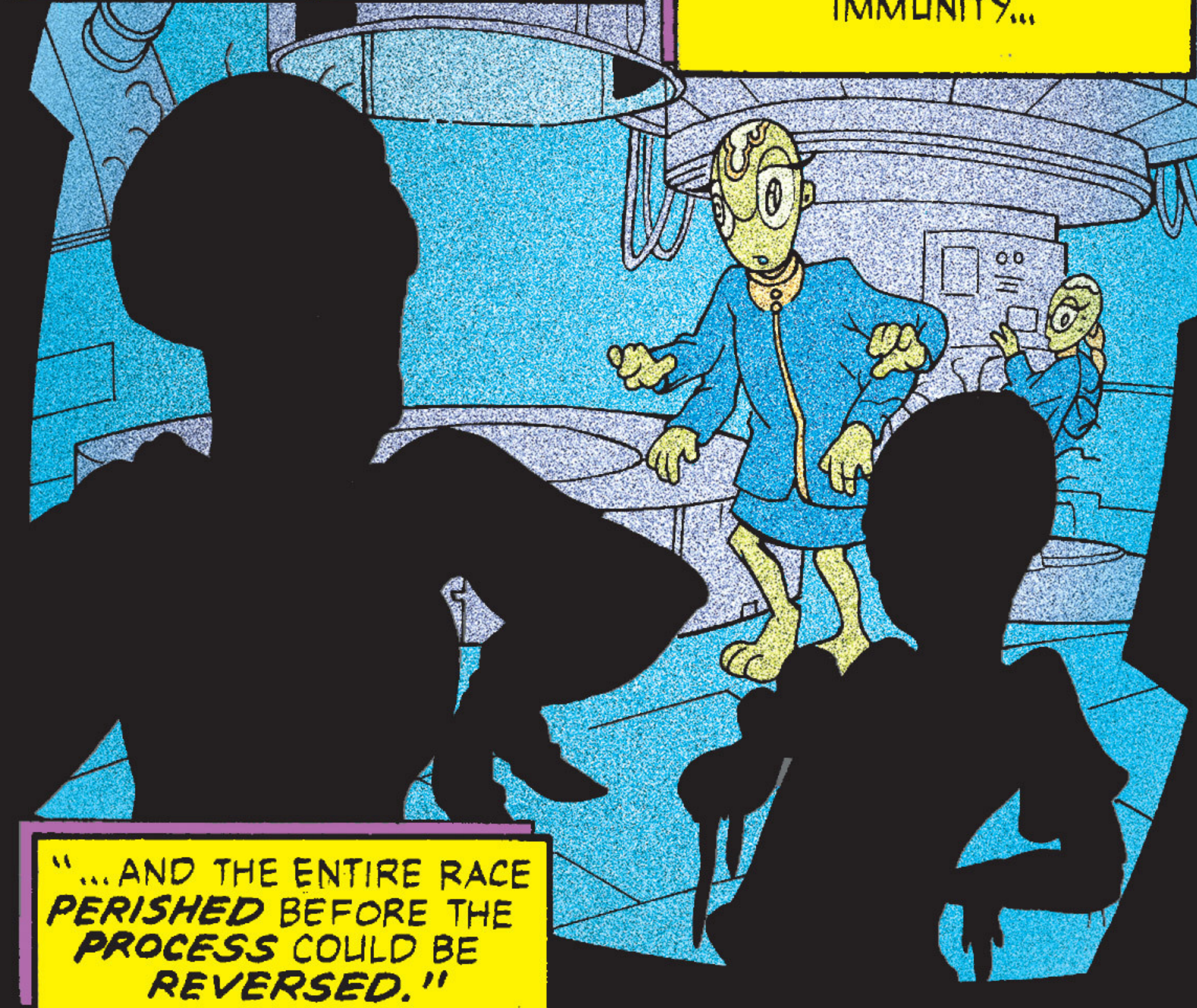
"--YOU AND YOUR CREW **LABORED** FOR HALF A **CENTURY**, AND CREATED AN INVENTION CAPABLE OF **DEROBOTIZING** OR **ROBOTIZING** EVERY SINGLE **SUBJECT**.



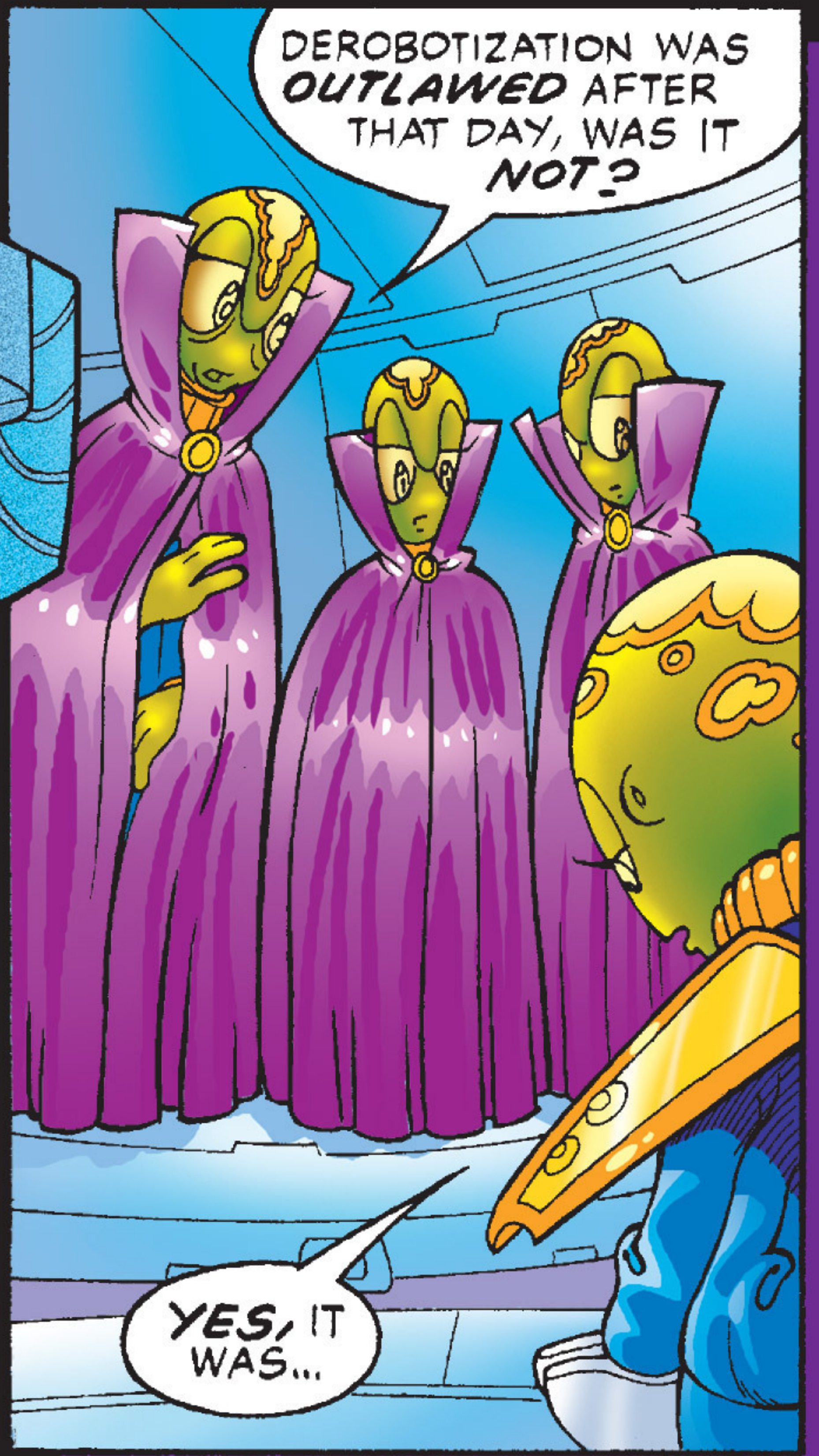
"HOWEVER, YOU SOON **LEARNED** THAT YOUR **TESTS** ON THE **BIOTEXANS** HAD **LESS** THAN DESIRED **RESULTS**--

"THEY HAD **EVOLVED** INTO **LIVING METAL** AS A NATURAL **DEFENSE**...

"...A **DEFENSE** AGAINST THEIR OWN PLANET'S DEADLY **MICROBES**, BUT YOU TOOK AWAY THAT **IMMUNITY**...



"...AND THE ENTIRE RACE **PERISHED** BEFORE THE **PROCESS** COULD BE **REVERSED**."



DEROBOTIZATION WAS **OUTLAWED** AFTER THAT DAY, WAS IT **NOT**?

**YES, IT WAS...**

"AND FOR THE NEXT **SEVERAL THOUSAND** CYCLES YOUR SHIP CONDUCTED **GEOLOGICAL** SURVEYS AROUND THE **UNIVERSE...**

"AND ON THAT DISTANT **ORB** OUR SPY-CAMS **DISCOVERED...**

"... BEFORE **FINDING** ITSELF IN A REMOTE **GALAXY**, ORBITING A WORLD CALLED **MOBIUS**.

"... THAT A WOULD-BE-WORLD **CONQUEROR** HAD DEVISED HIS OWN **VERSION** OF THE **ROBOTIZER!**

HIDDEN SPY-CAM

IT'S THE ORIGINAL **DOCTOR ROBOTNIK**-- MY LATE **NEMESIS!**

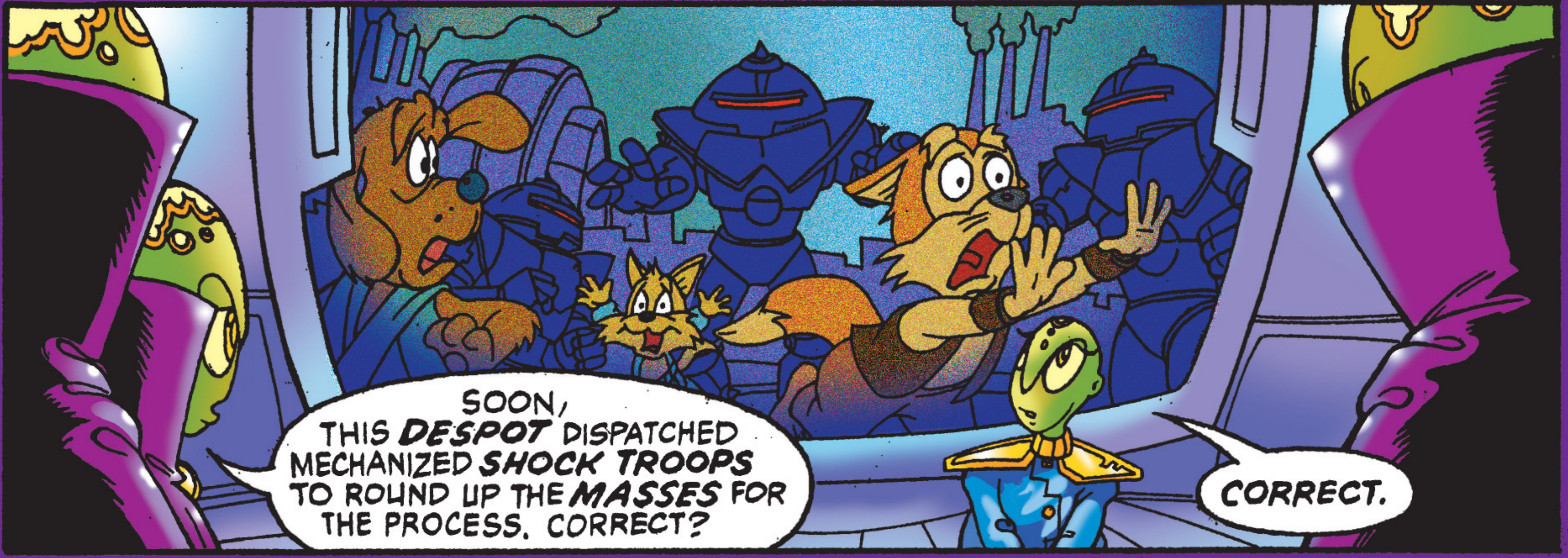
AND THAT'S **AMADEUS PROWER**-- MY BEST BUDDY'S **DAD**-- TRAPPED **INSIDE** THE **ROBOTIZER!**

"HOWEVER, THE CRUDE **DEVICE** WAS ONLY **CAPABLE** OF TRANSFORMING **ORGANIC** MATERIAL INTO **INORGANIC...**

"AND ONCE **ROBOTIZED**, A SUBJECT **REMAINED** IN THAT STATE **FOREVER**.

WE ALWAYS **WONDERED** WHAT BECAME OF HIM-- NOW I **KNOW**.

I'M SO **SORRY**, TAILS!

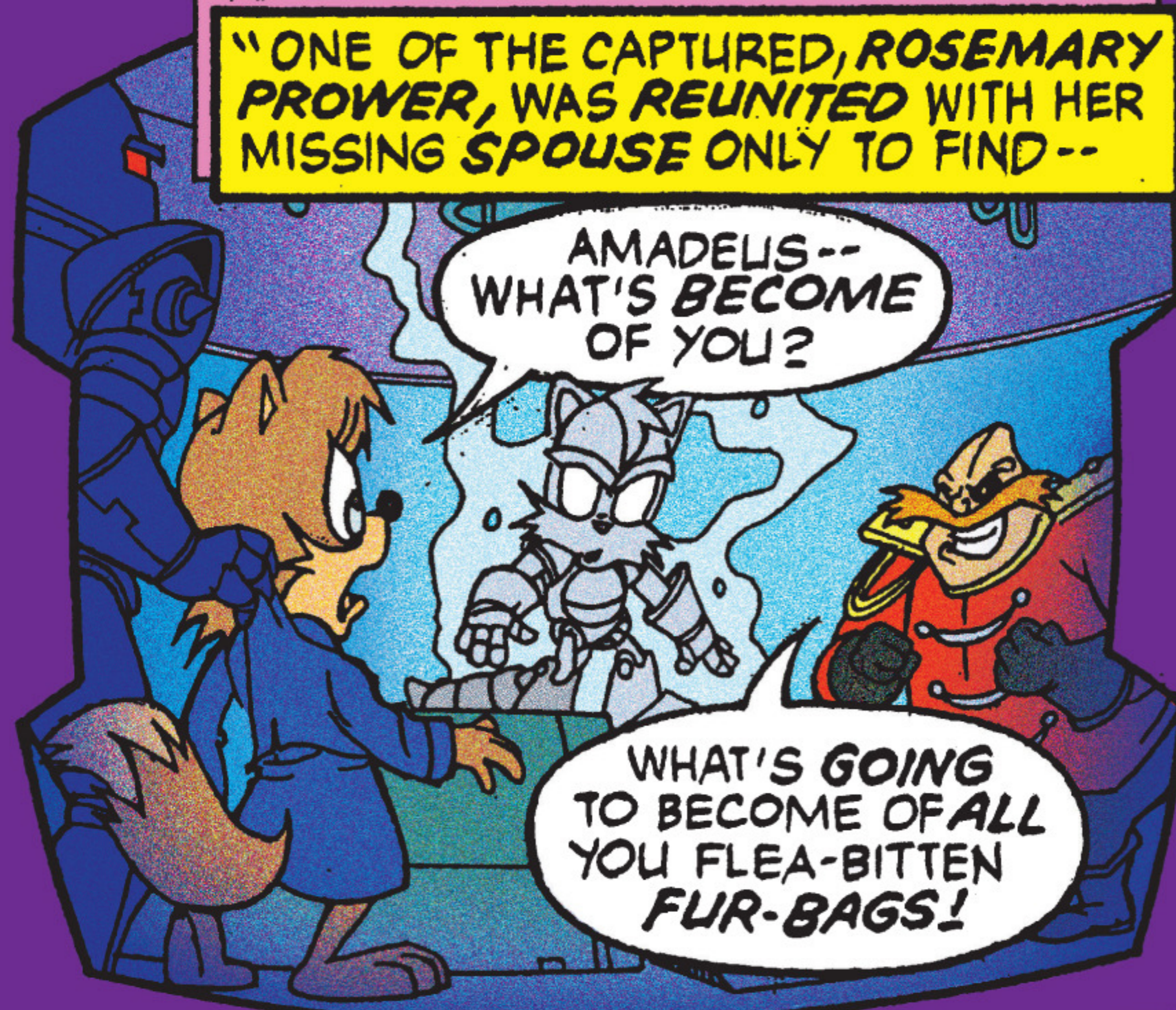


SOON, THIS **DESPOT** DISPATCHED MECHANIZED **SHOCK TROOPS** TO ROUND UP THE **MASSSES** FOR THE PROCESS. CORRECT?

CORRECT.

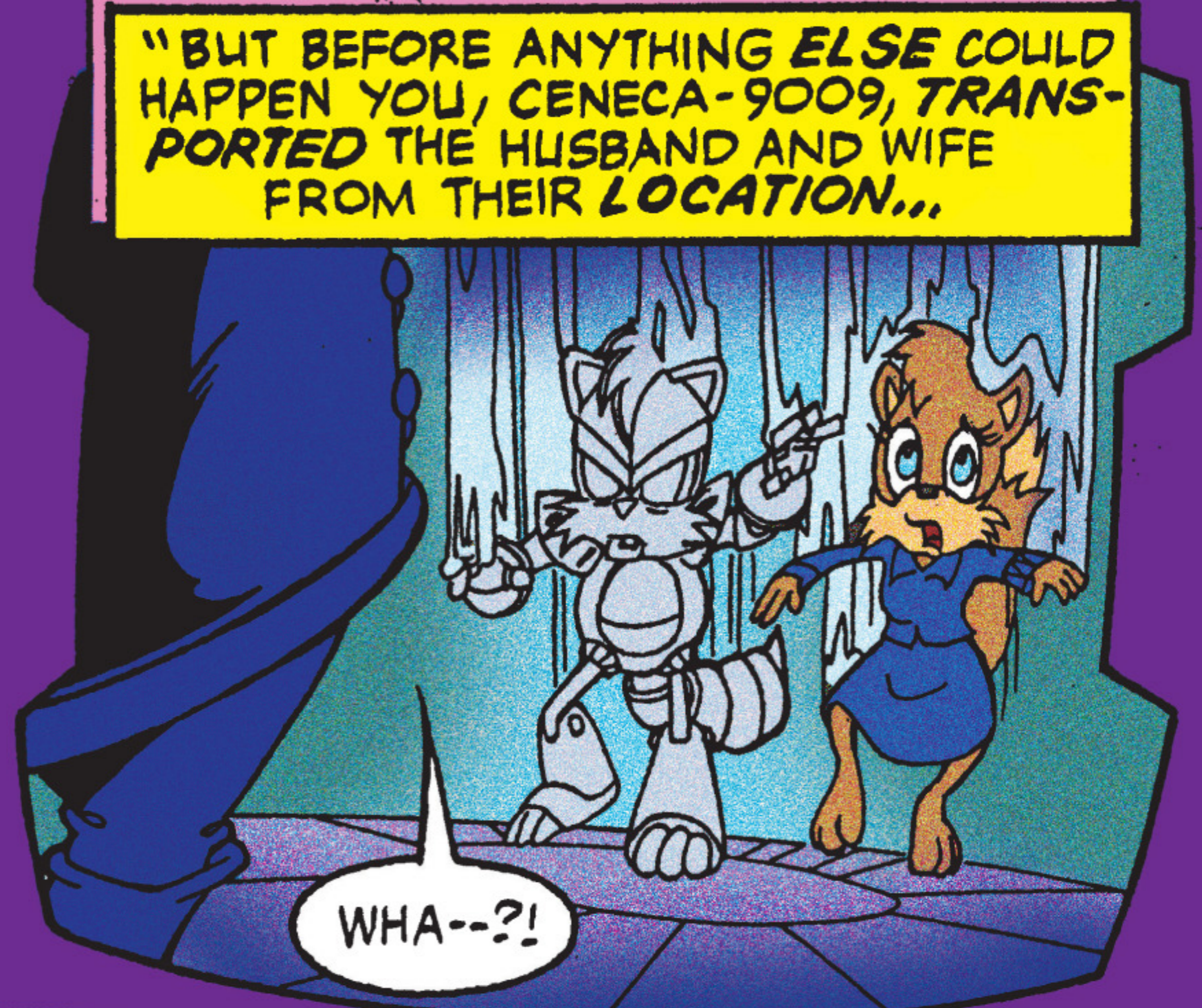
"ONE OF THE CAPTURED, **ROSEMARY PROWER**, WAS REUNITED WITH HER MISSING **SPOUSE** ONLY TO FIND--

"BUT BEFORE ANYTHING **ELSE** COULD HAPPEN YOU, **CENECA-9009**, TRANSPORTED THE HUSBAND AND WIFE FROM THEIR **LOCATION...**

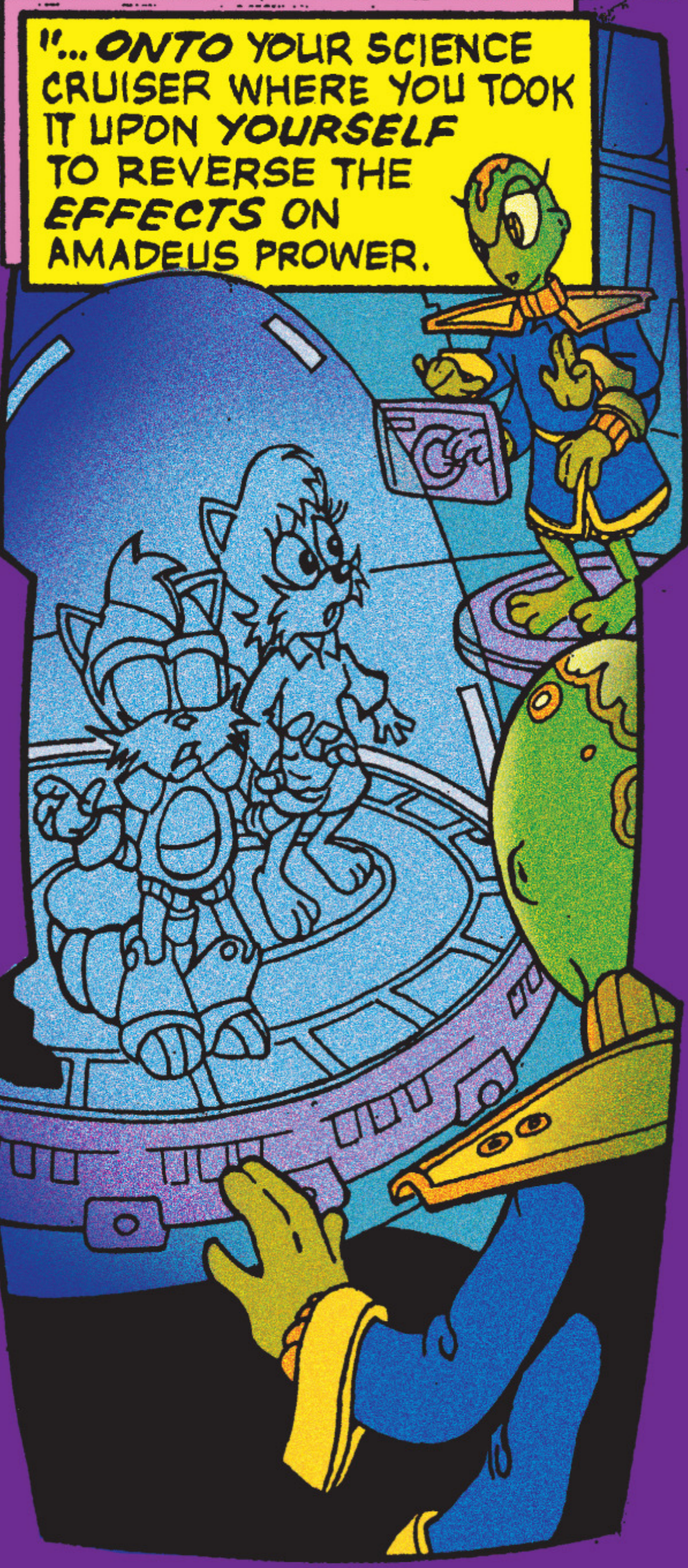


AMADELIS-- WHAT'S BECOME OF YOU?

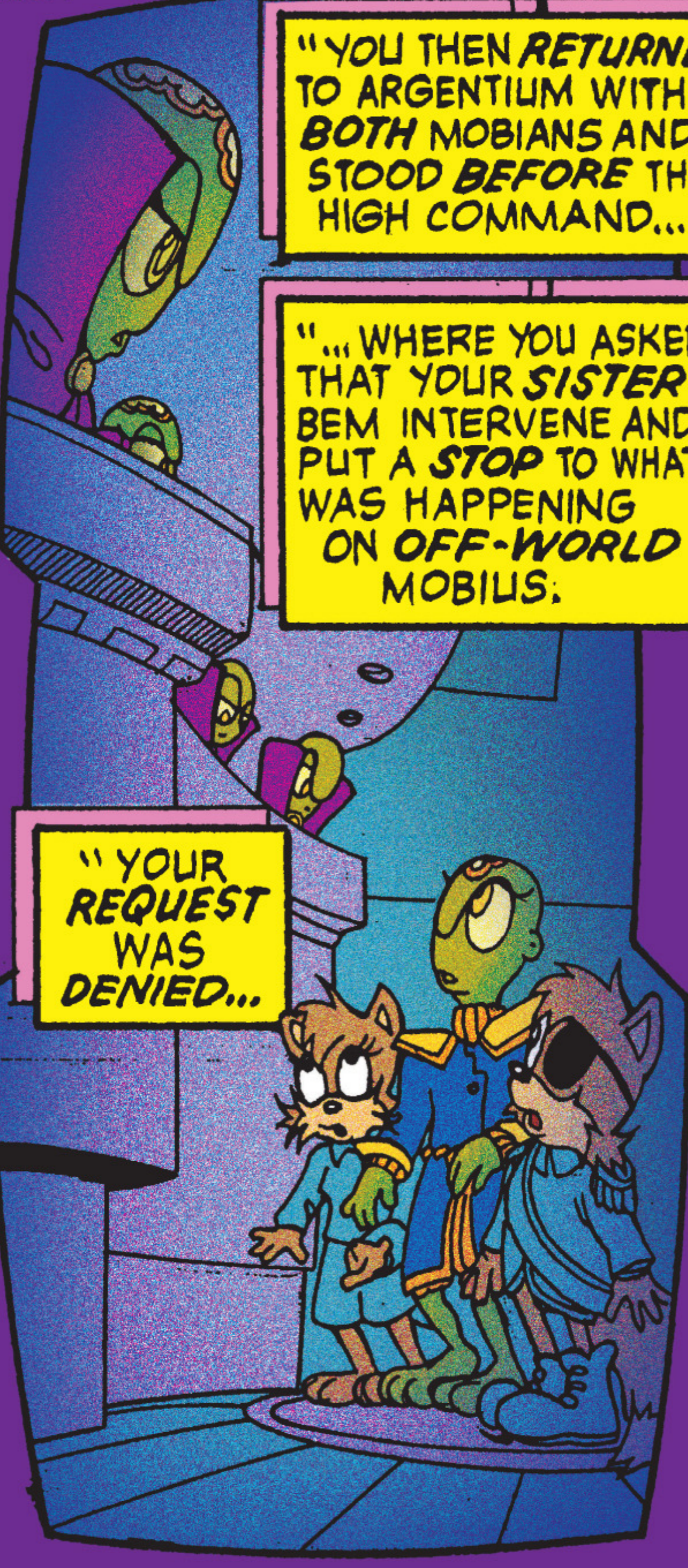
WHAT'S GOING TO BECOME OF ALL YOU FLEA-BITTEN FUR-BAGS!



WHA--?!



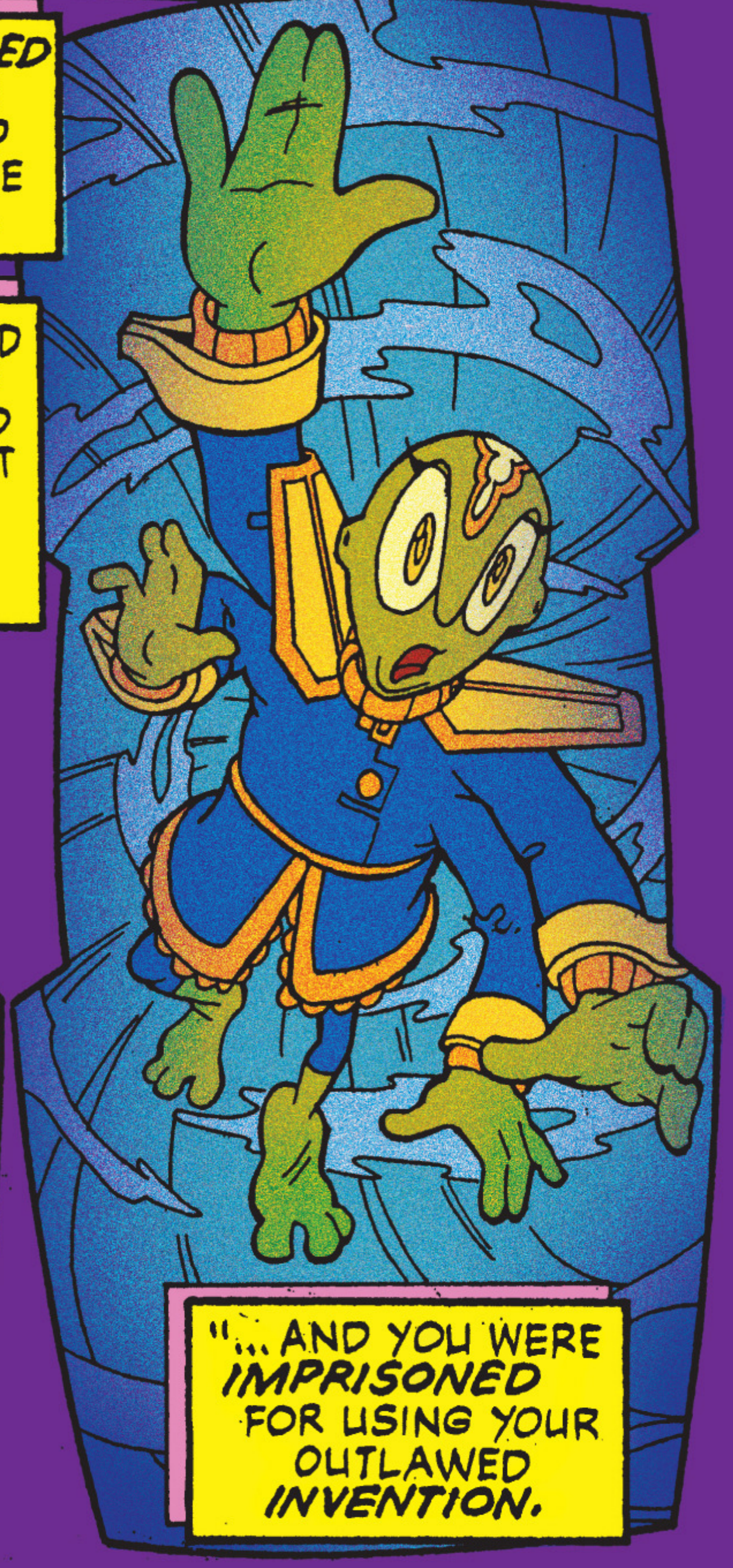
"... ONTO YOUR SCIENCE CRUISER WHERE YOU TOOK IT UPON YOURSELF TO REVERSE THE **EFFECTS** ON AMADELIS PROWER.



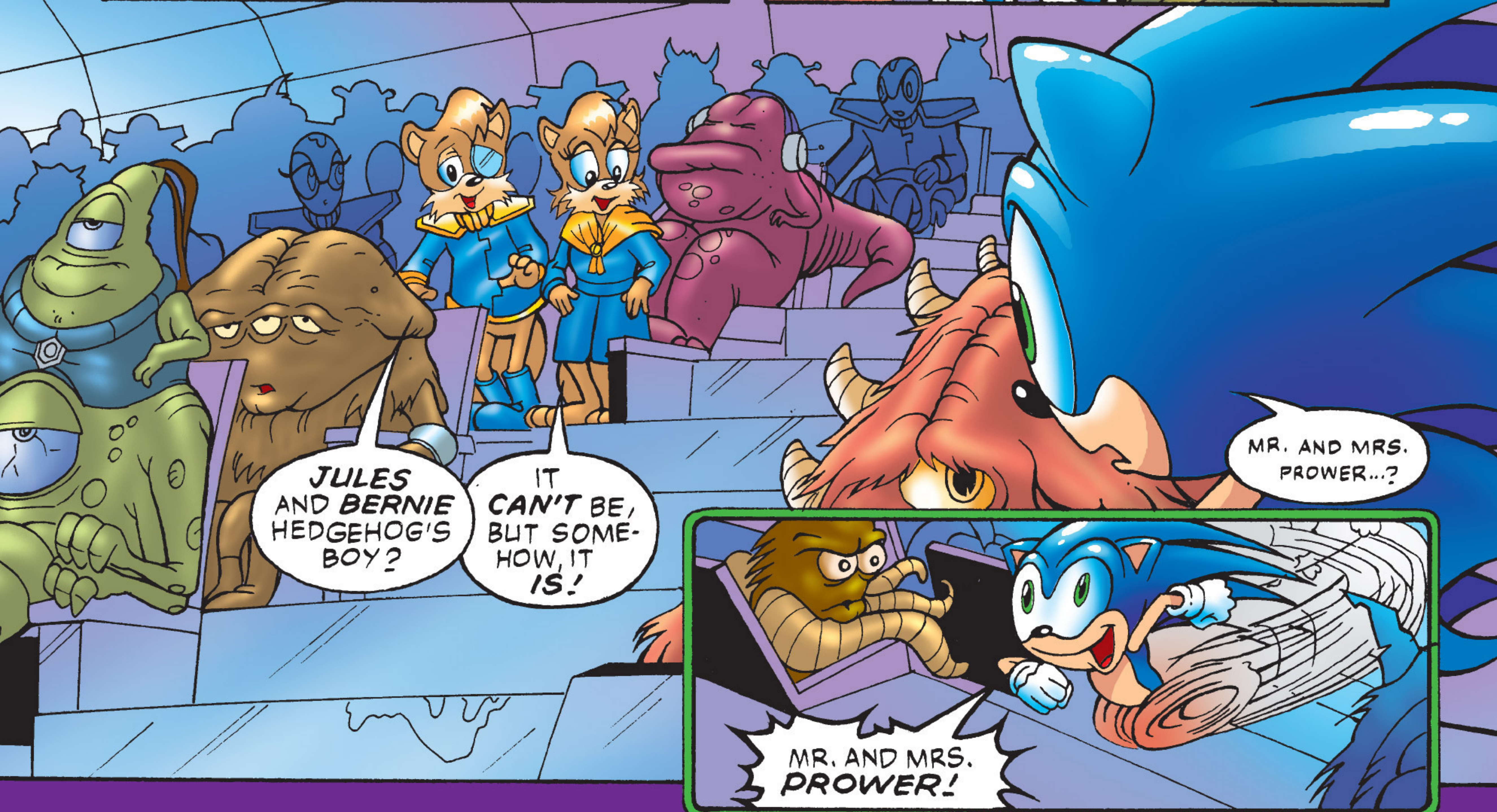
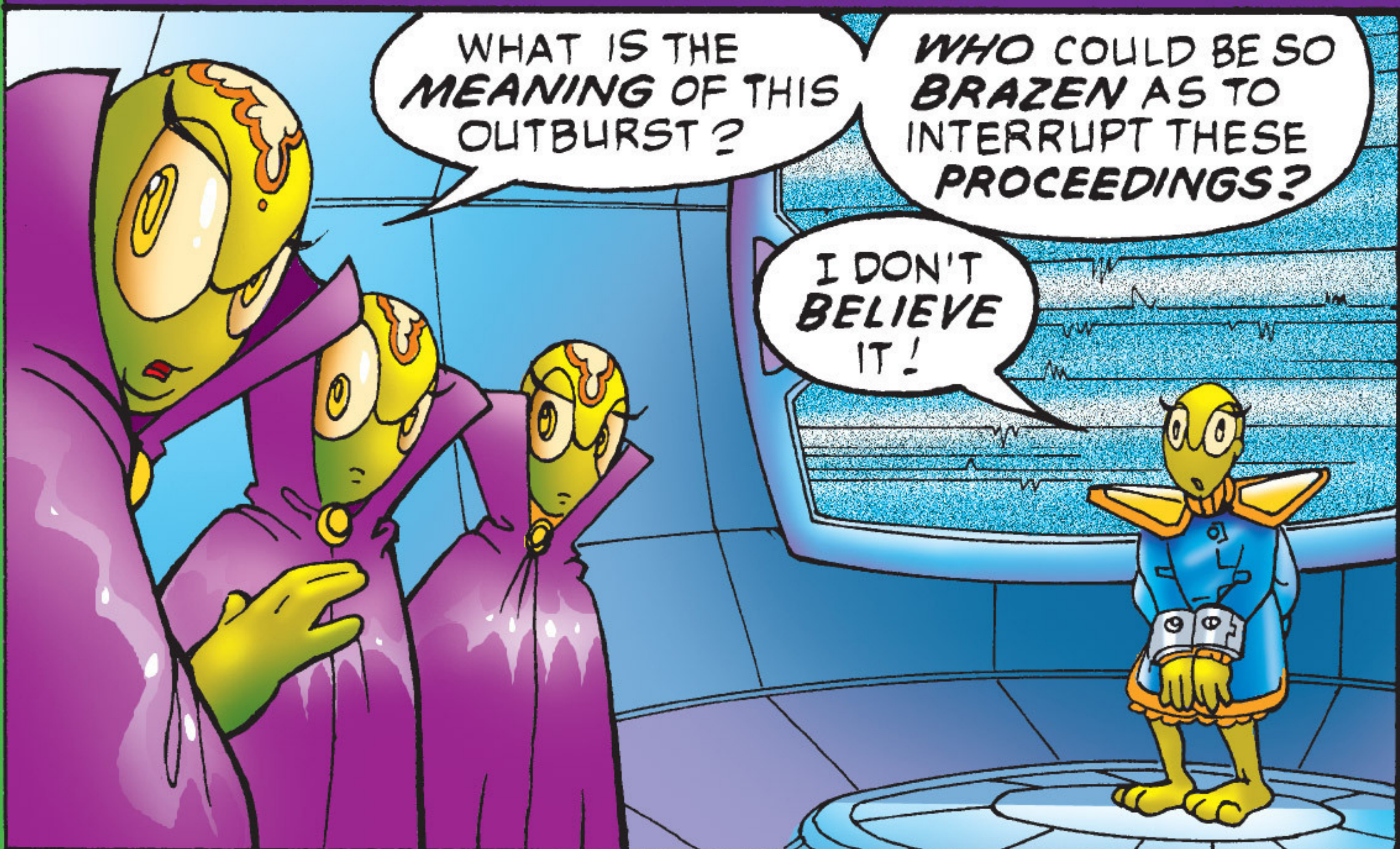
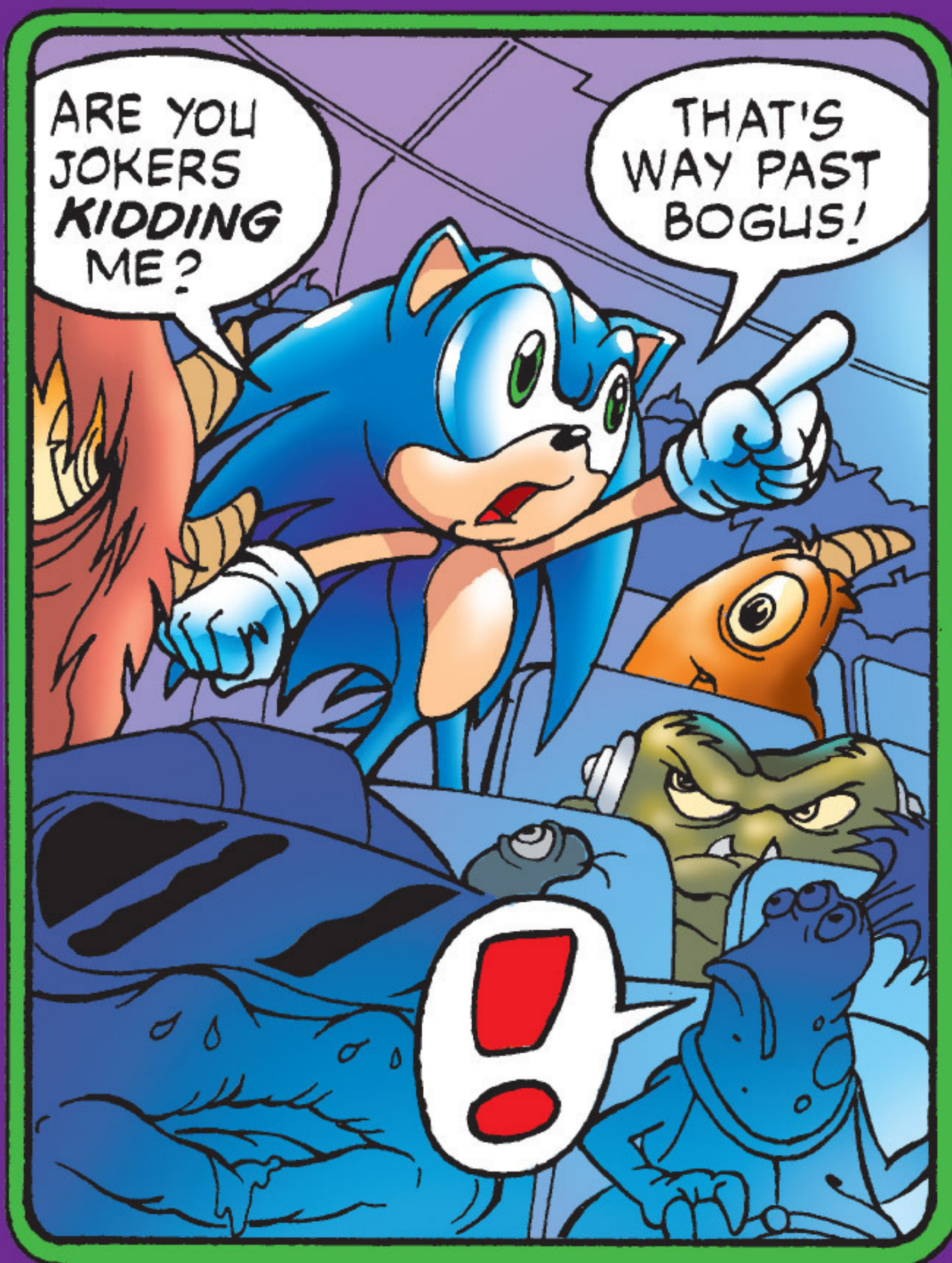
"YOU THEN RETURNED TO ARGENTIUM WITH **BOTH** MOBIANS AND STOOD BEFORE THE HIGH COMMAND...

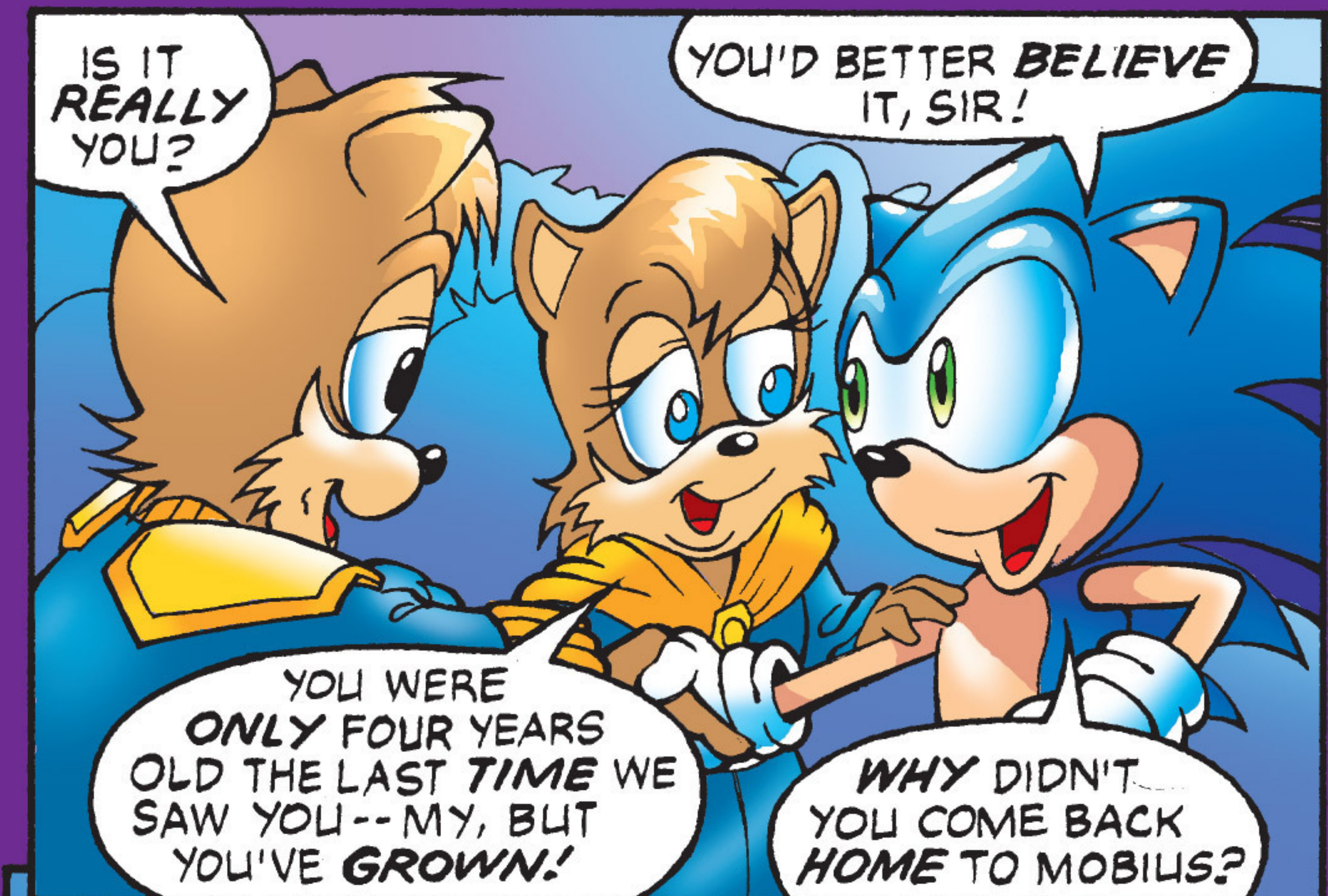
"... WHERE YOU ASKED THAT YOUR **SISTER** BEM INTERVENE AND PUT A **STOP** TO WHAT WAS HAPPENING ON **OFF-WORLD** MOBIUS.

"YOUR **REQUEST** WAS DENIED..."



"... AND YOU WERE **IMPRISONED** FOR USING YOUR **OUTLAWED** INVENTION.



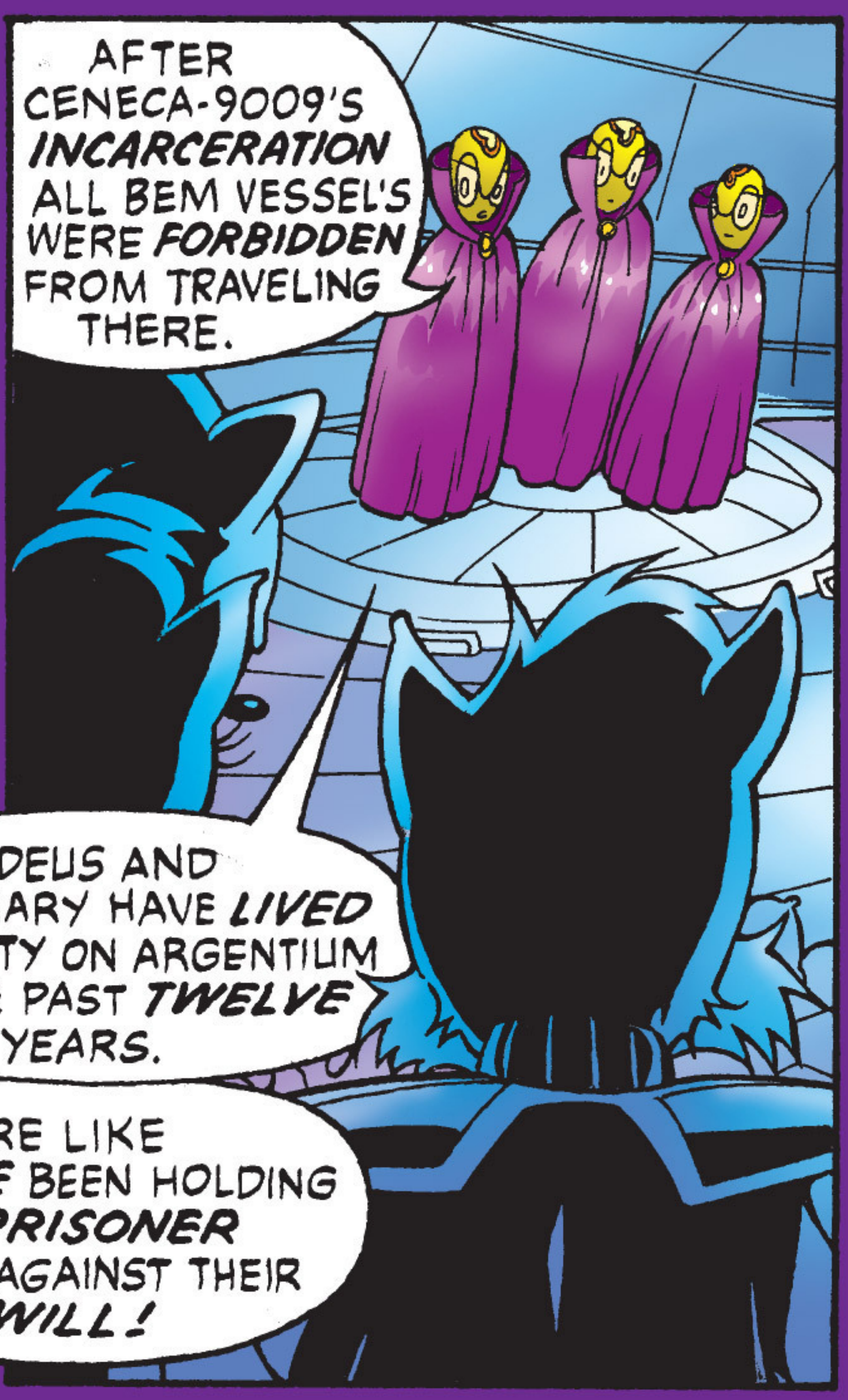


IS IT REALLY YOU?

YOU'D BETTER BELIEVE IT, SIR!

YOU WERE ONLY FOUR YEARS OLD THE LAST TIME WE SAW YOU--MY, BUT YOU'VE GROWN!

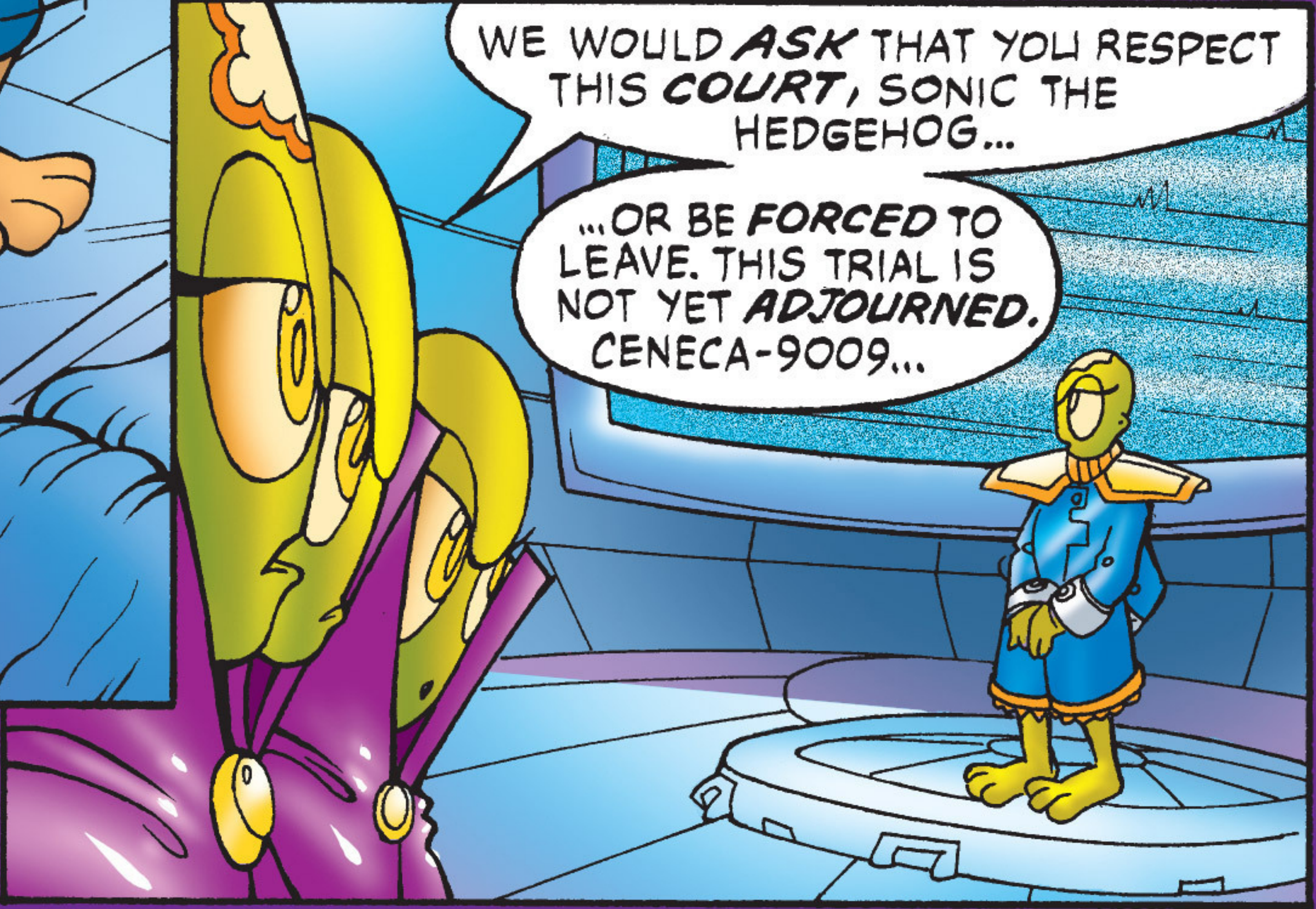
WHY DIDN'T YOU COME BACK HOME TO MOBIUS?



AFTER CENECA-9009'S INCARCERATION ALL BEM VESSEL'S WERE FORBIDDEN FROM TRAVELING THERE.

AMADEUS AND ROSEMARY HAVE LIVED IN SAFETY ON ARGENTILUM FOR THE PAST TWELVE YEARS.

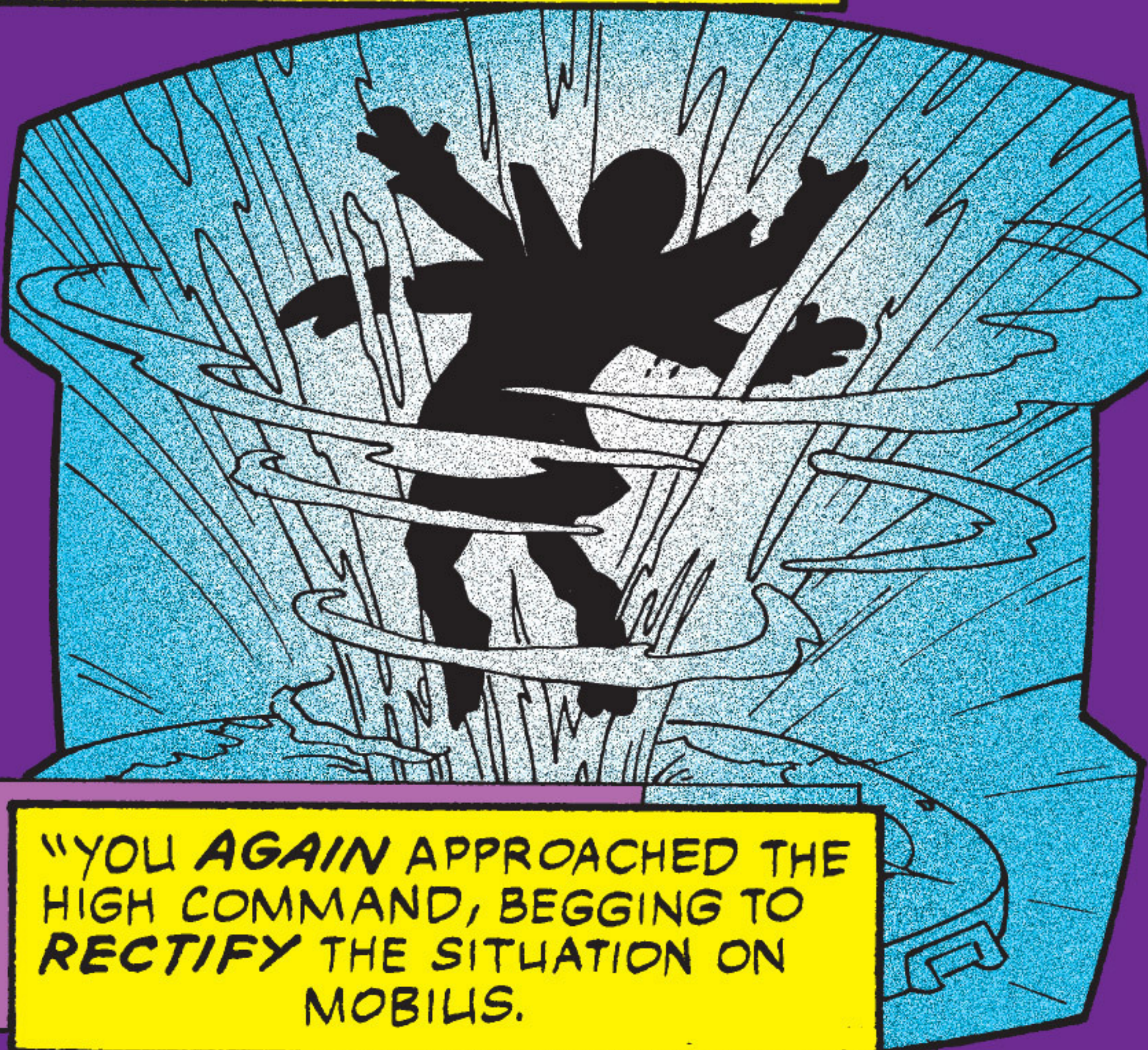
MORE LIKE YOU'VE BEEN HOLDING THEM PRISONER HERE AGAINST THEIR WILL!



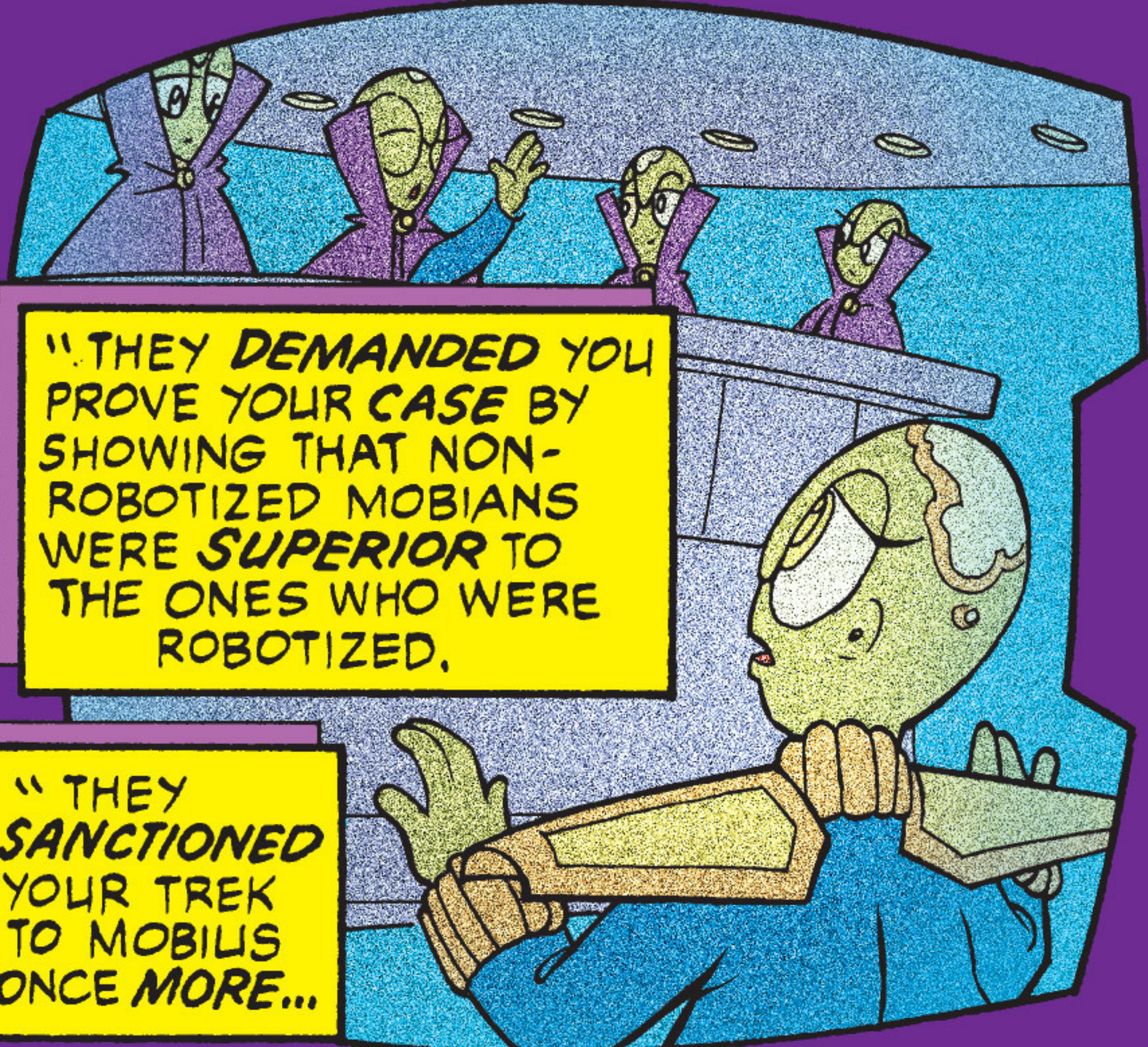
WE WOULD ASK THAT YOU RESPECT THIS COURT, SONIC THE HEDGEHOG...

...OR BE FORCED TO LEAVE. THIS TRIAL IS NOT YET ADJOURNED. CENECA-9009...

"...SIX CYCLES AGO, YOU WERE RELEASED FROM JAIL HAVING SERVED YOUR SENTENCE.



"YOU AGAIN APPROACHED THE HIGH COMMAND, BEGGING TO RECTIFY THE SITUATION ON MOBIUS.



"THEY DEMANDED YOU PROVE YOUR CASE BY SHOWING THAT NON-ROBOTIZED MOBIANS WERE SUPERIOR TO THE ONES WHO WERE ROBOTIZED.

"THEY SANCTIONED YOUR TREK TO MOBIUS ONCE MORE...

"... WHERE YOU **BEGAN** CONDUCTING YOUR **EXPERIMENT**. YOU SELECTED **FOUR** **MOBIAN** TEST SUBJECTS--

"--**TWO** OF THEM **ORGANIC** AND THE **OTHER TWO** **INORGANIC**."

"SO IT **WAS** THAT THE **ROBOTIZED** SUBJECTS **DEFEATED** THE **NON-ROBOTIZED** ONES IN **COMBAT**."

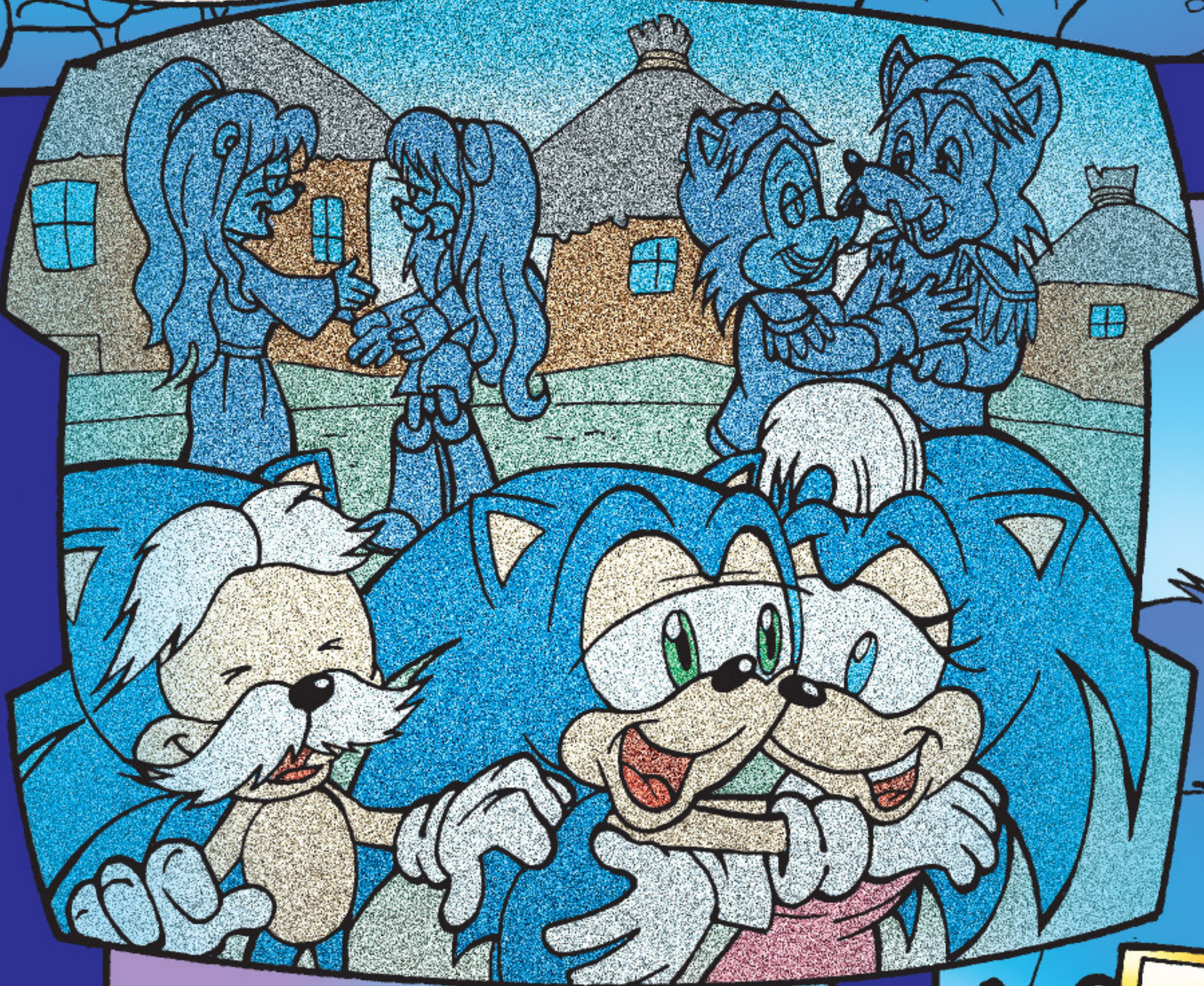
**FAIR** ENOUGH, BUT **STILL** NO **FAIR**. SURE I **KICKED** RO"BU**TT**"NIK'S **BUTT** AS **MECHA-SONIC**, BUT I COULD'VE **DONE** IT AS MY **WARM** AND **CUDDLY** SELF, **TOO**.

**AGREED**-- IT WAS THE **HIGH** **COMMAND** WHO **ORDERED** THE **ROBOTIC** **ROLE** **REVERSAL**, **NOT** I.

**IRRELEVANT**.

THE **TEST** **RESULTS** **CLEARLY** **ILLUSTRATED** THE **ADVANCED** **NATURE** OF **ROBOTIC** **MOBIANS**, AND ONCE THE **HIGH** **COMMAND** **REVIEWED** YOUR **FINDINGS**...

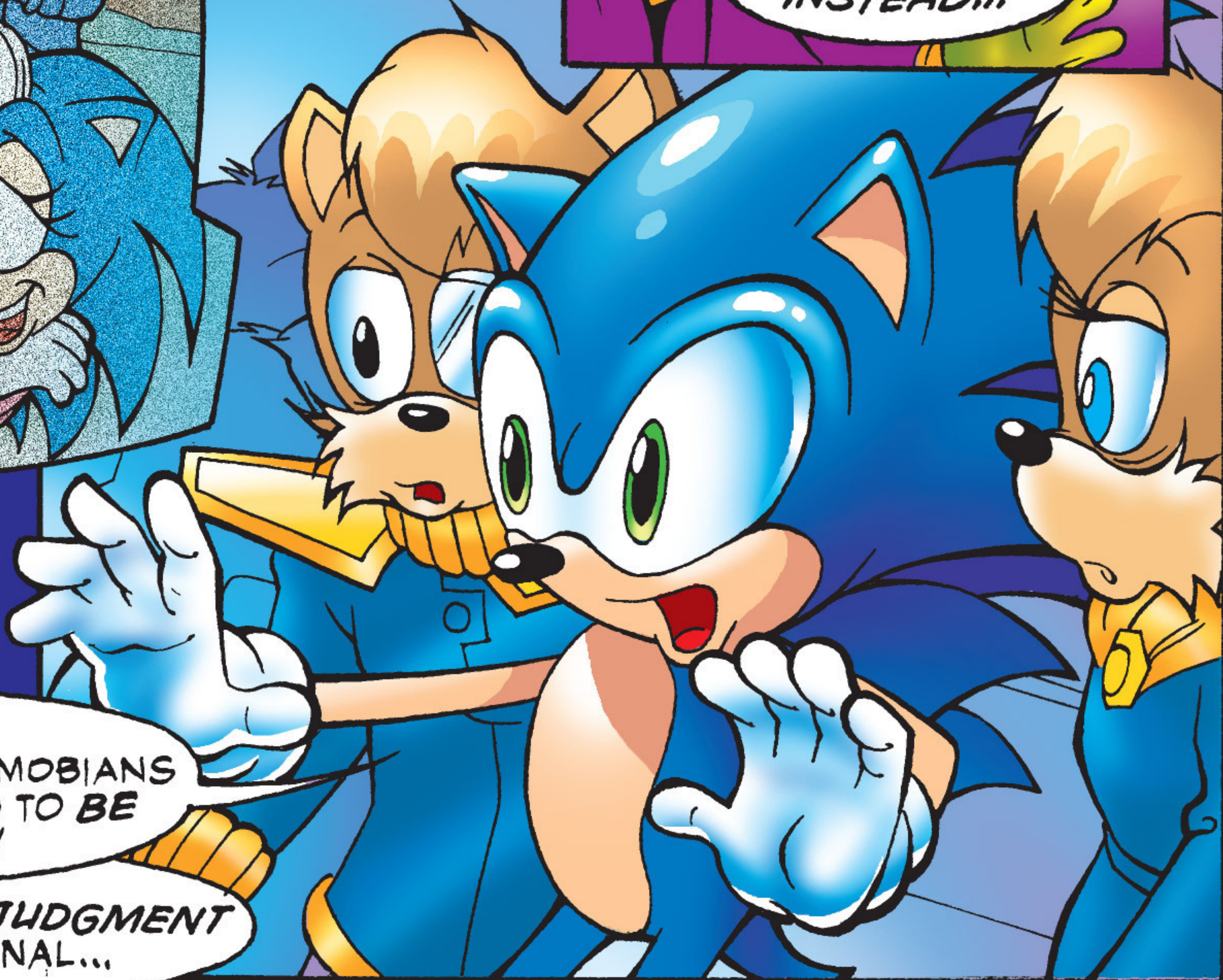
... YOU WERE GIVEN A **DIRECT** **ORDER** TO **ROBOTIZE** **ALL** **MOBIANS** AT ONCE. **INSTEAD**...



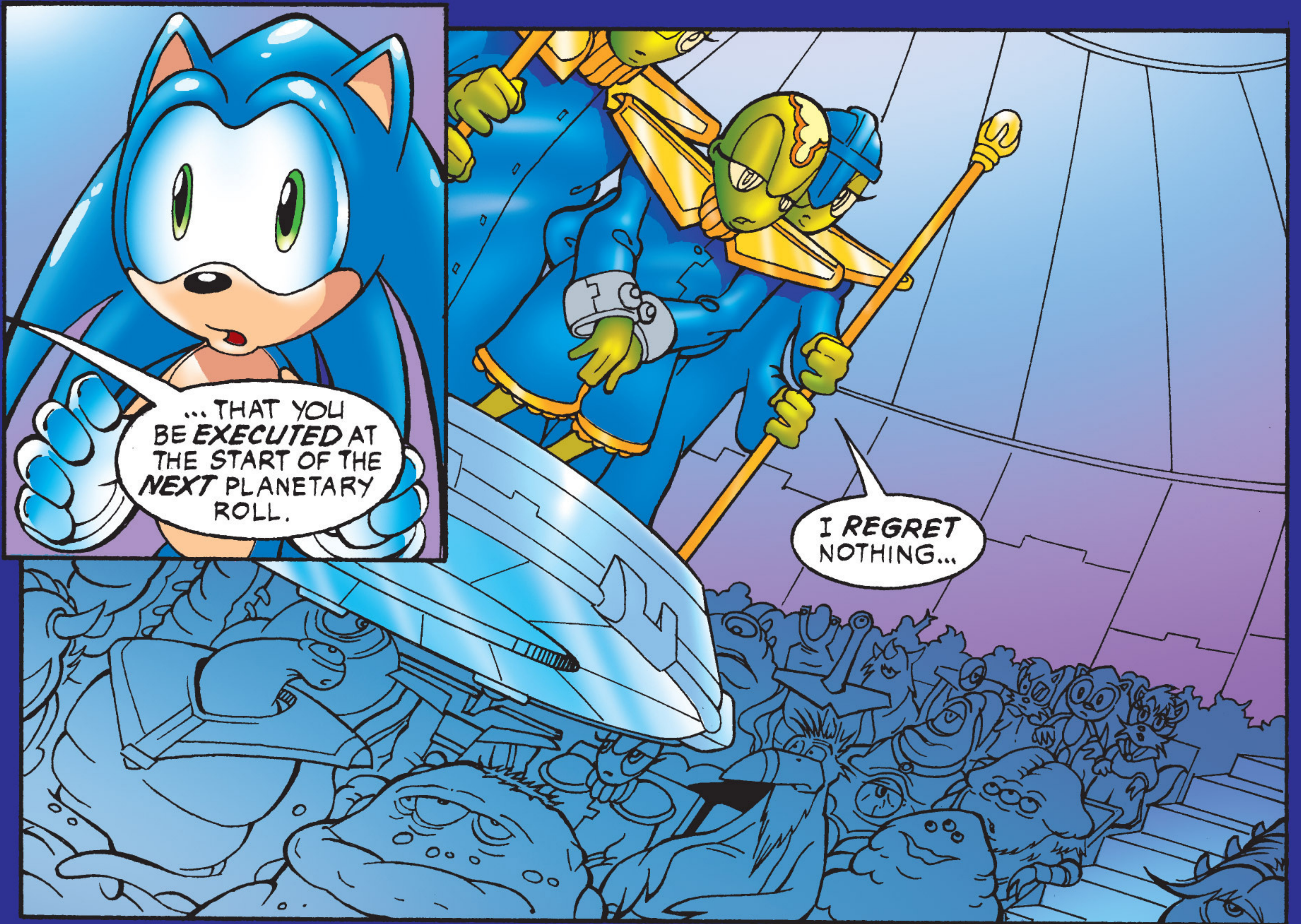
... YOU **DISOBEYED** AND DID THE **EXACT** **OPPOSITE**.

BUT, SHE **DID** THE **RIGHT** **THING**! **MOBIANS** **AREN'T** **SUPPOSED** TO **BE** **ROBOTIZED**!

THIS, IT IS THE **JUDGMENT** OF THIS **TRIBUNAL**...



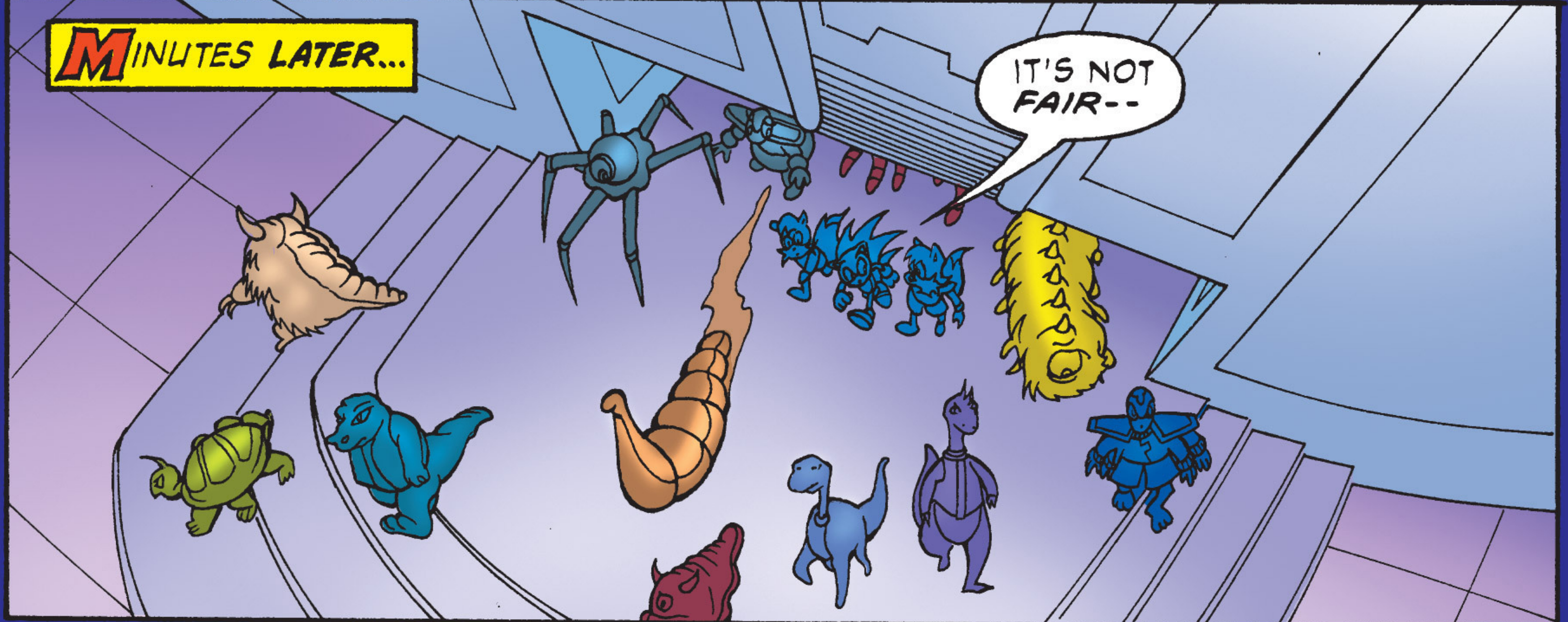




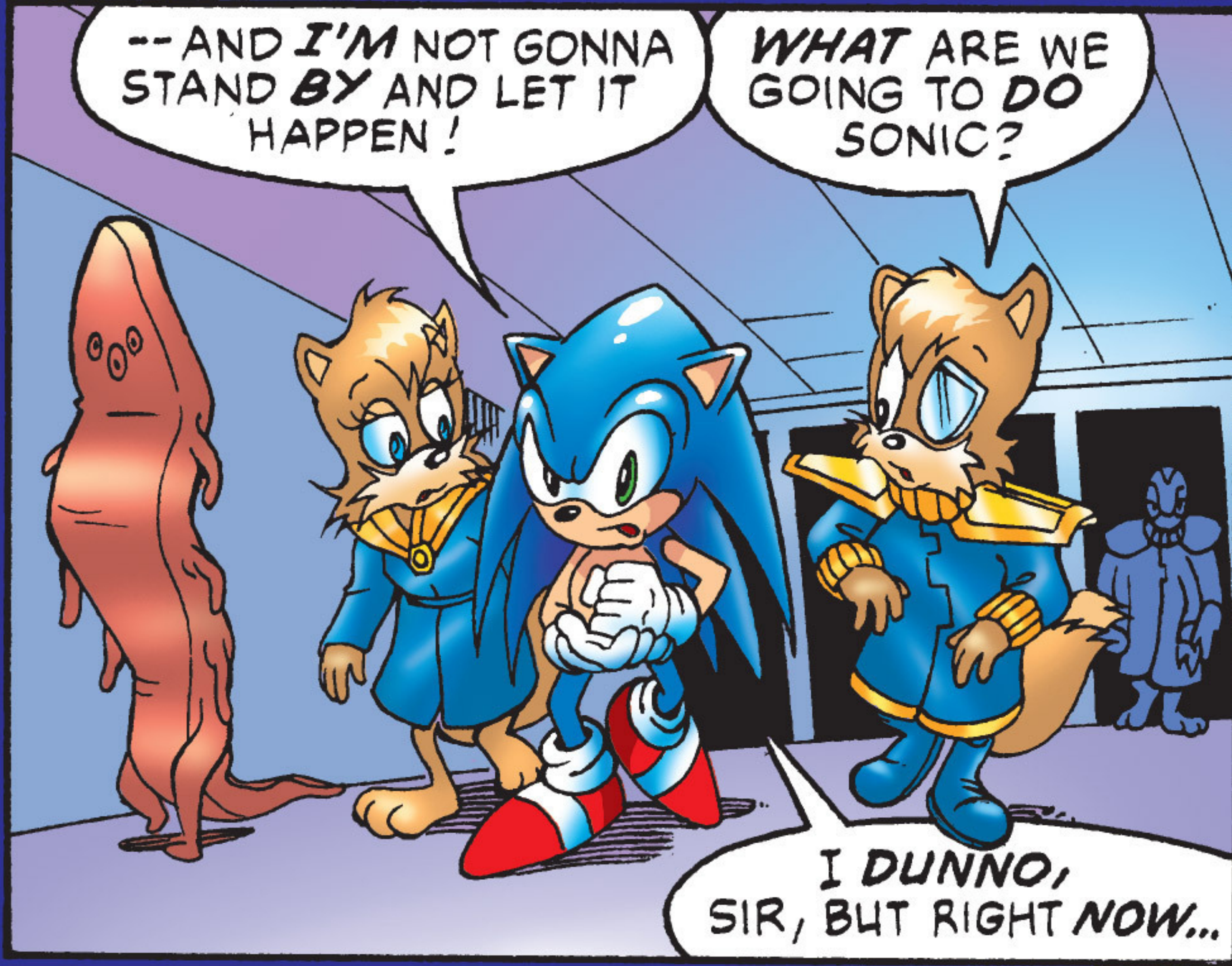
... THAT YOU BE EXECUTED AT THE START OF THE NEXT PLANETARY ROLL.

I REGRET NOTHING...

MINUTES LATER...



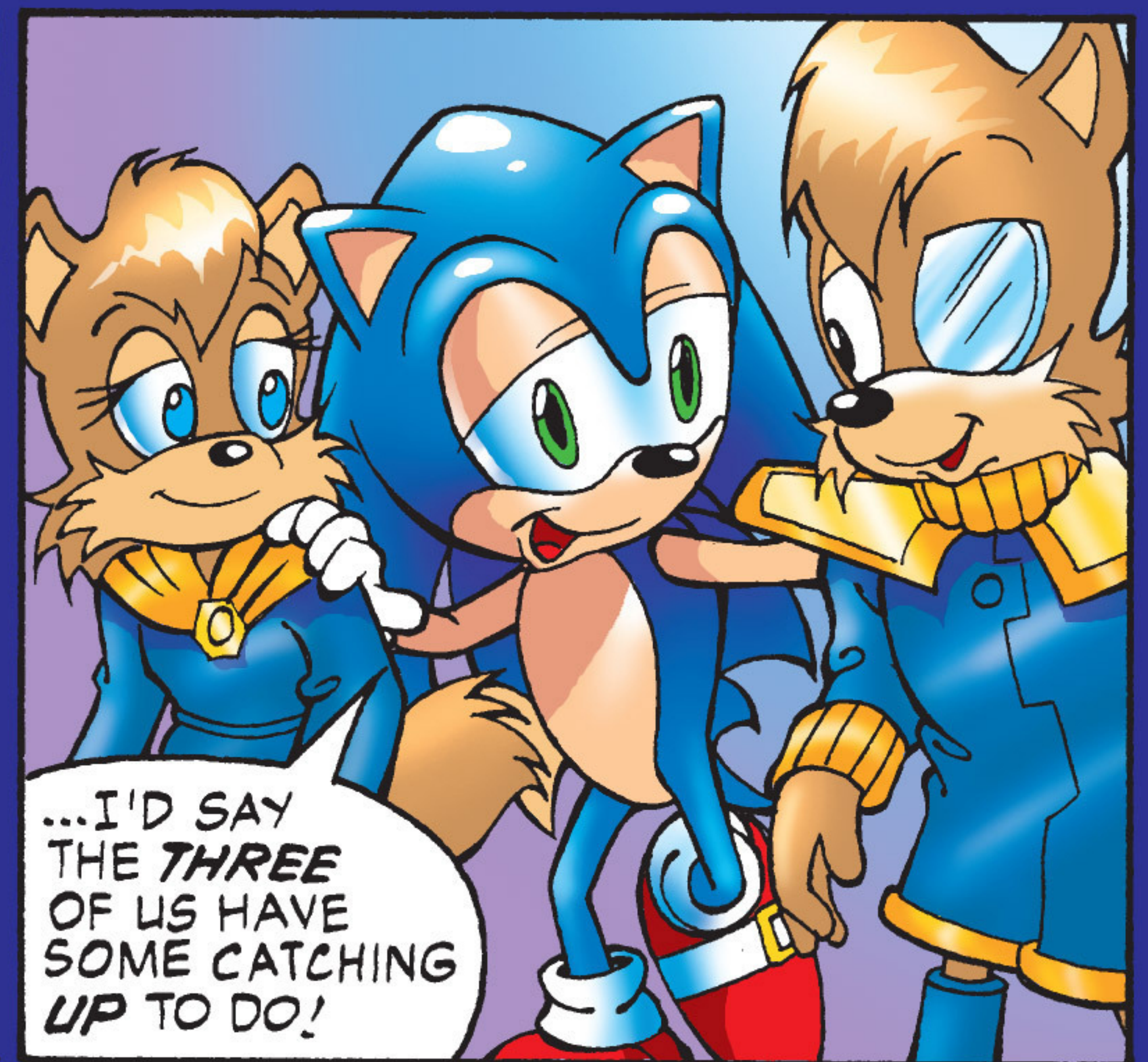
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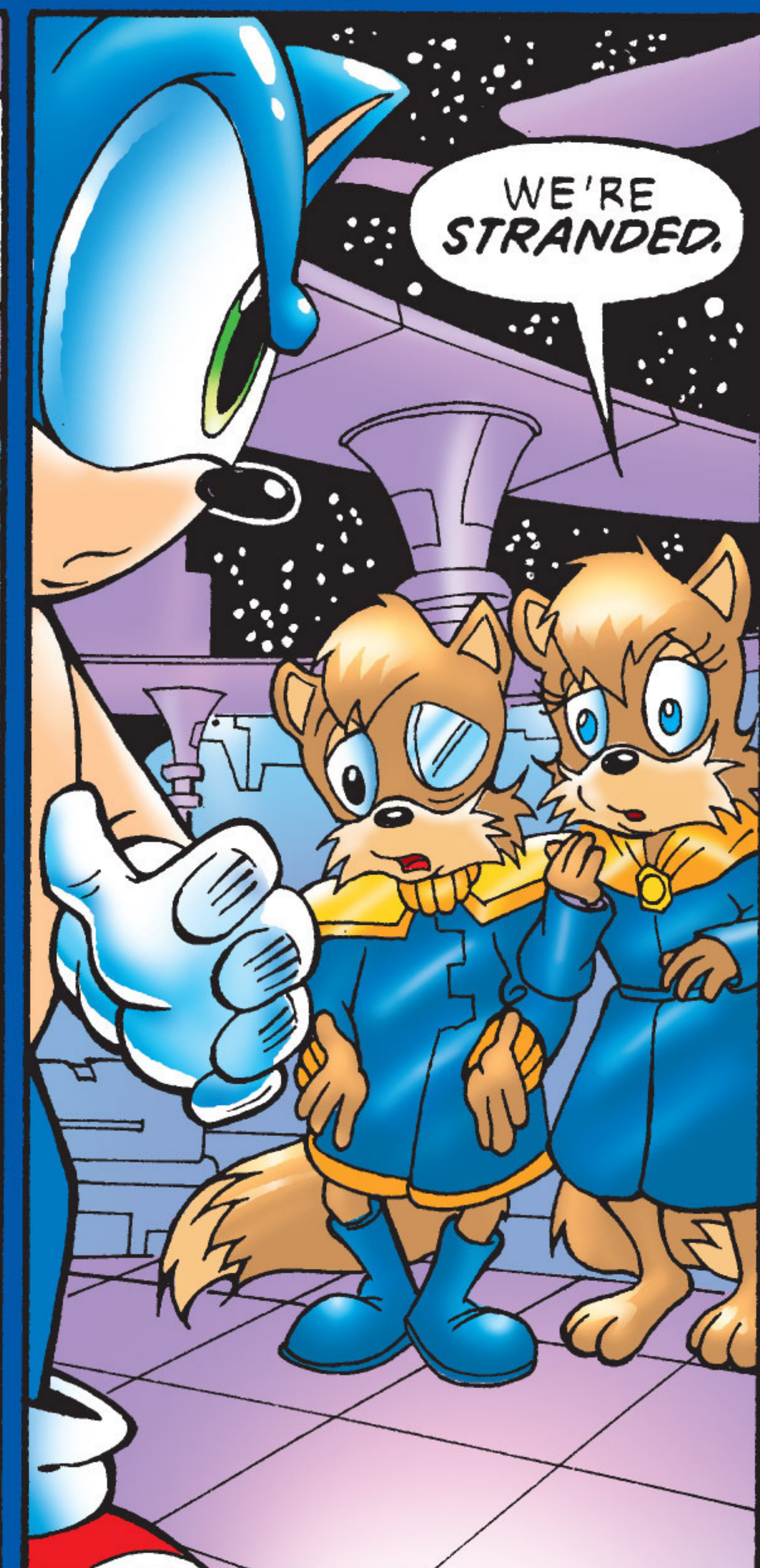
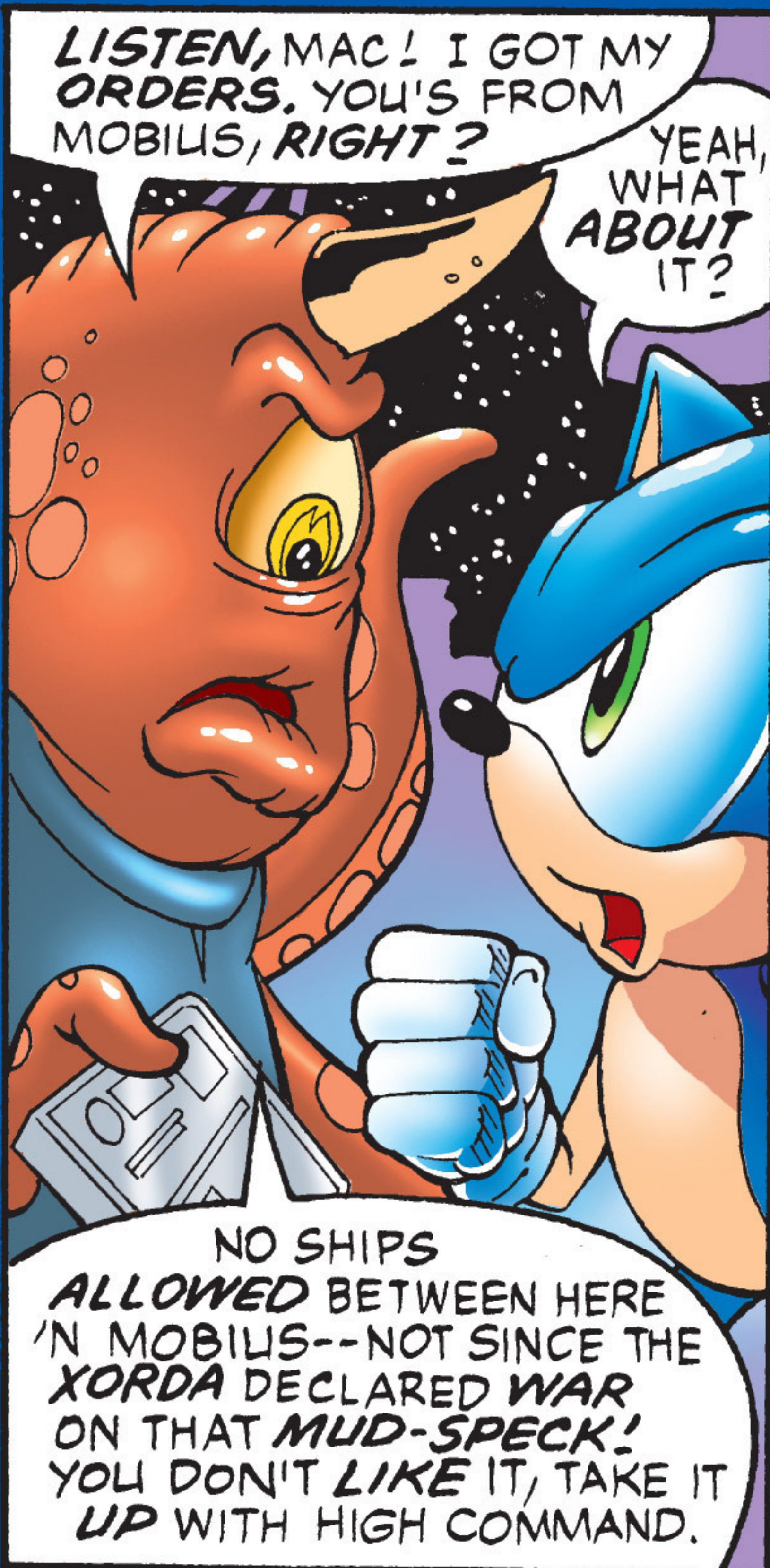
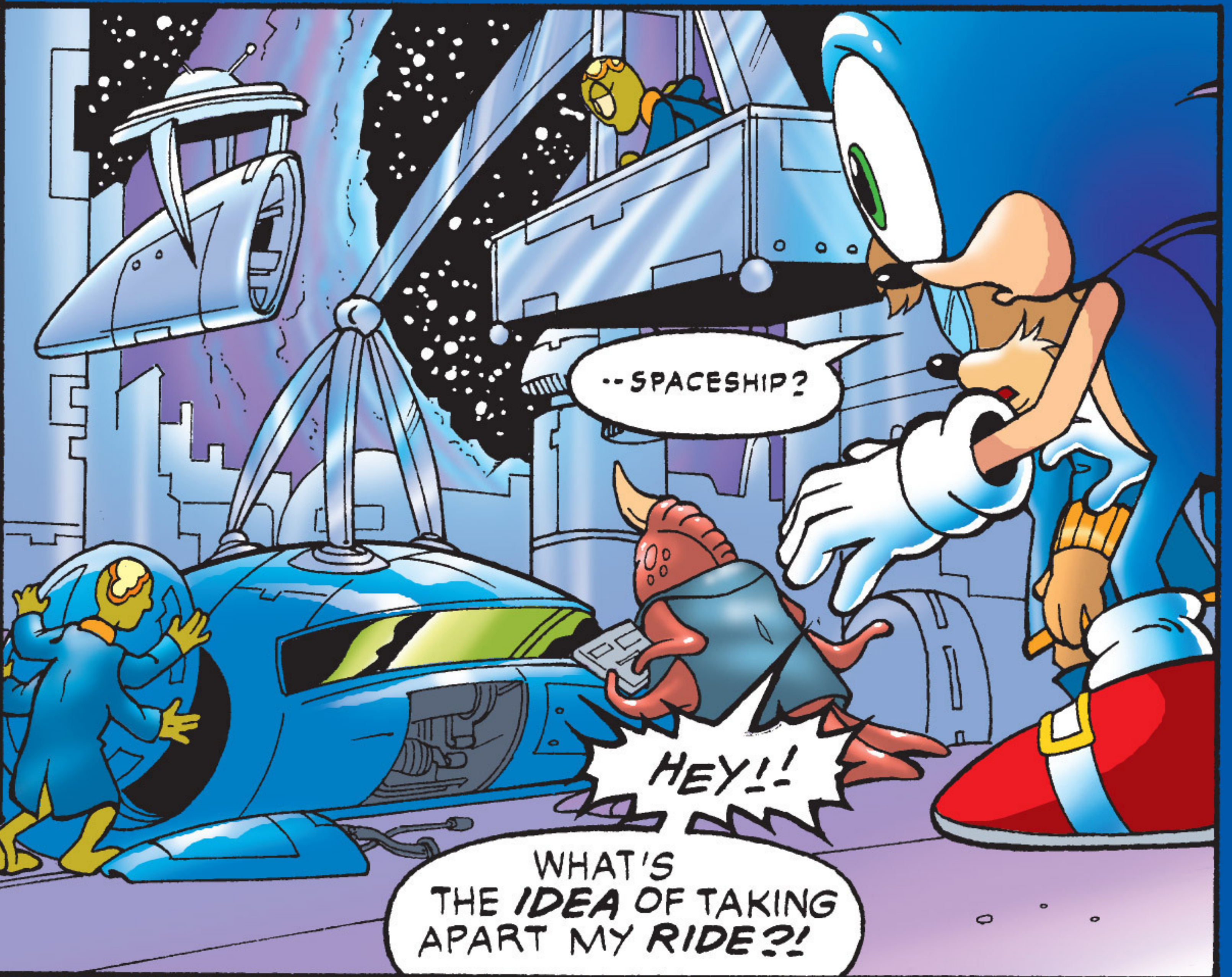
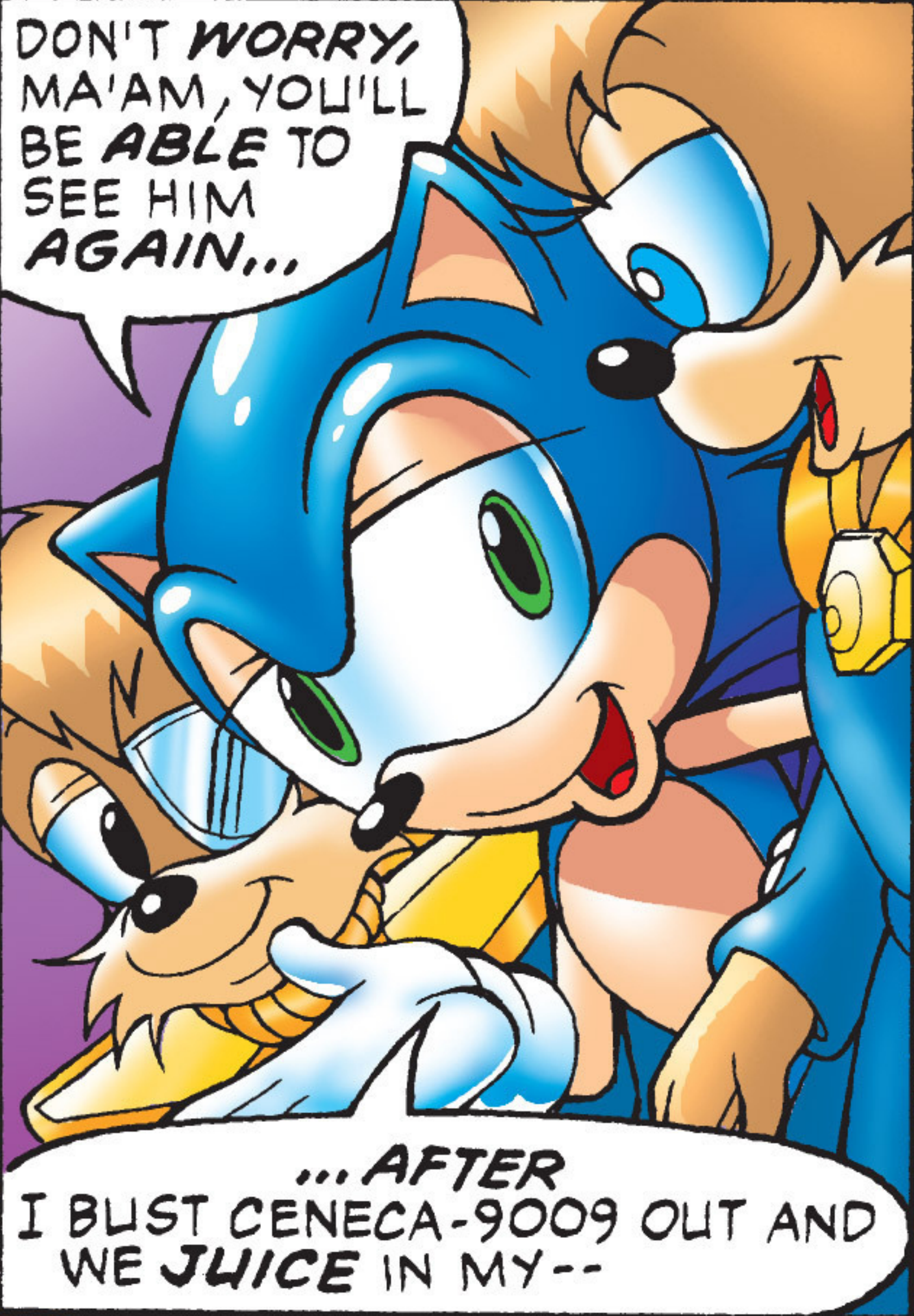
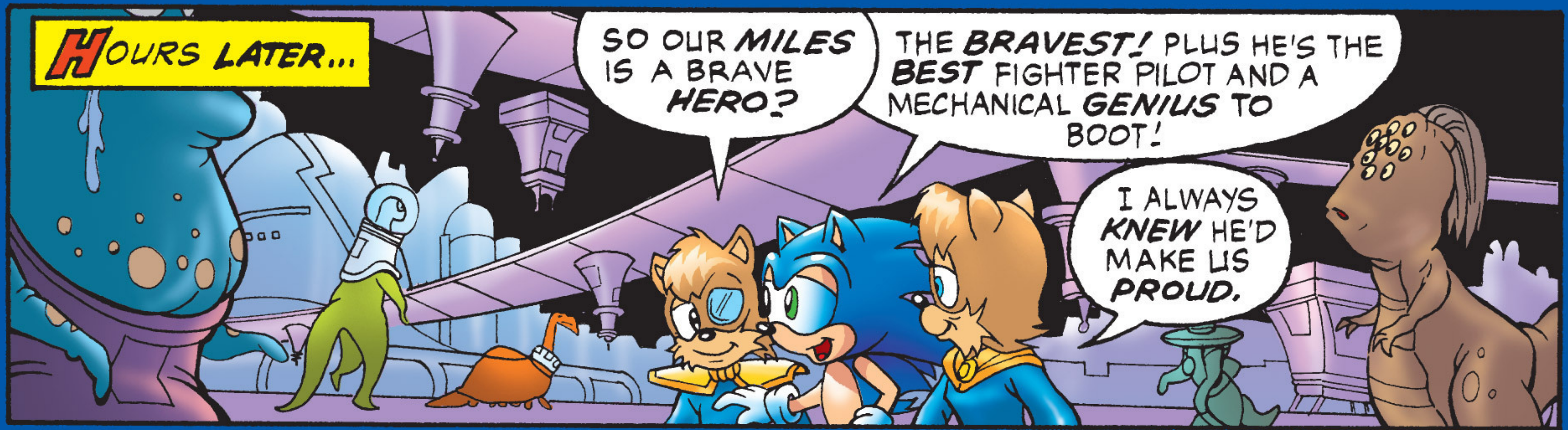
-- AND I'M NOT GONNA STAND BY AND LET IT HAPPEN!

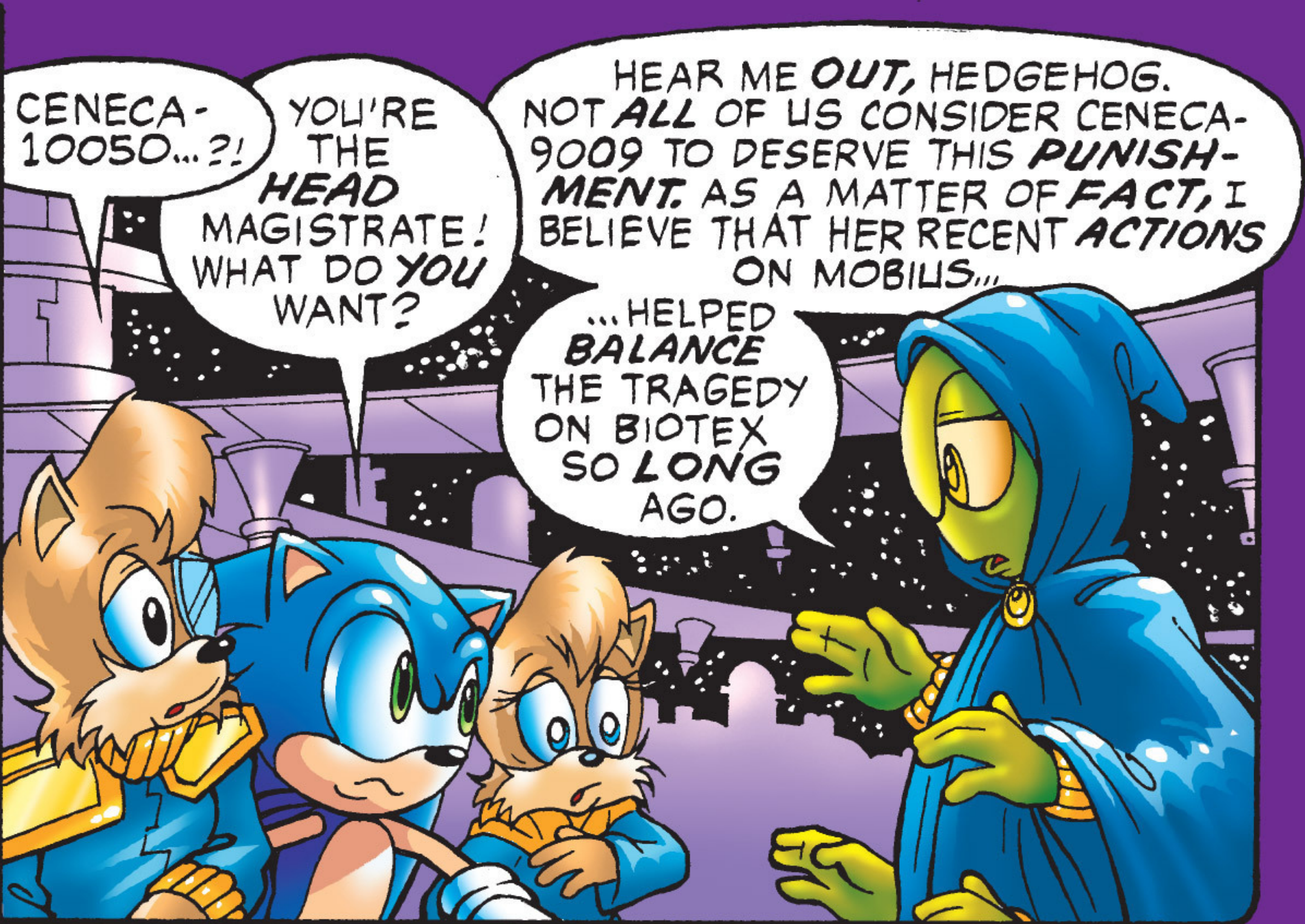
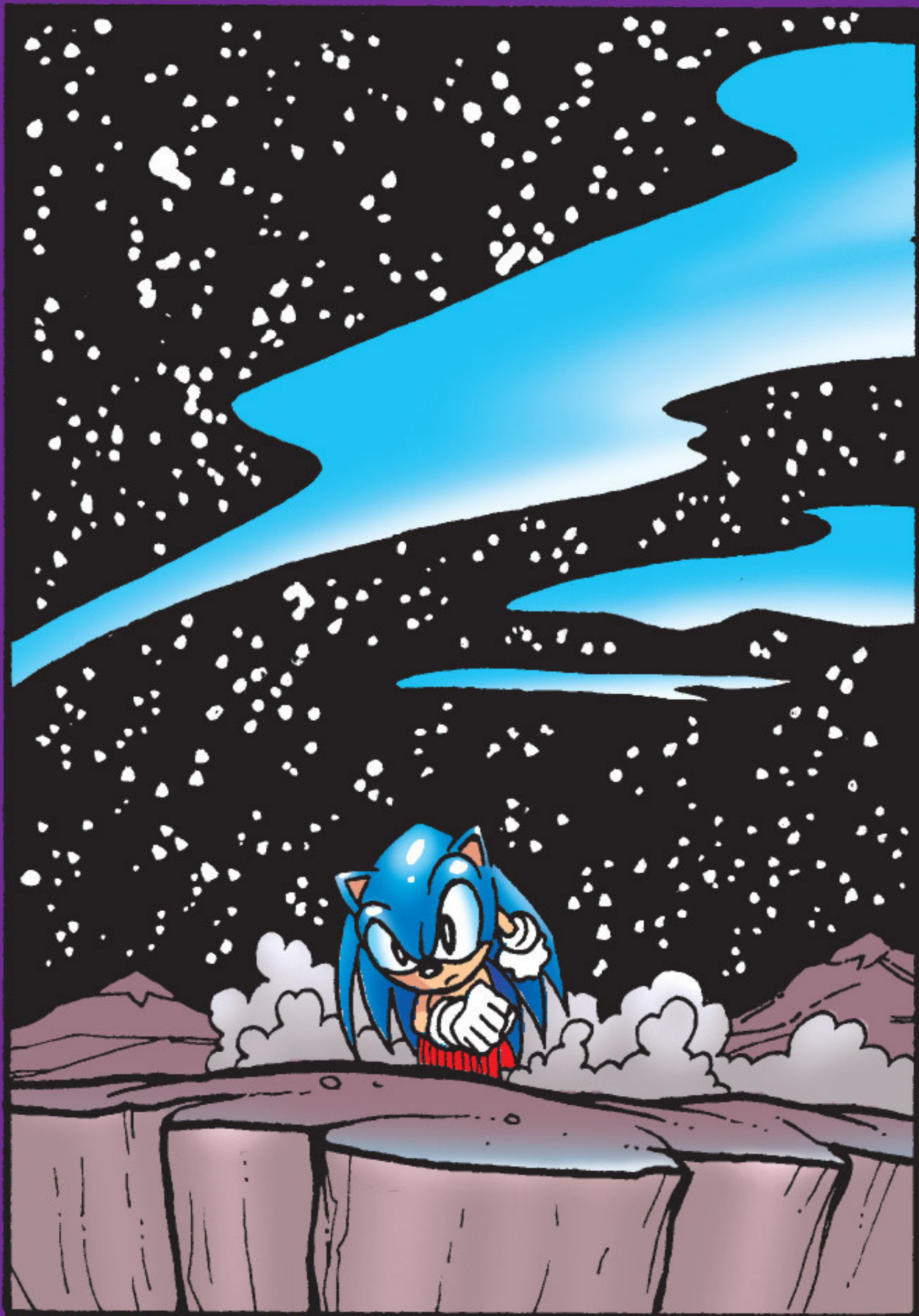
WHAT ARE WE GOING TO DO SONIC?

I DUNNO, SIR, BUT RIGHT NOW...



...I'D SAY THE THREE OF US HAVE SOME CATCHING UP TO DO!





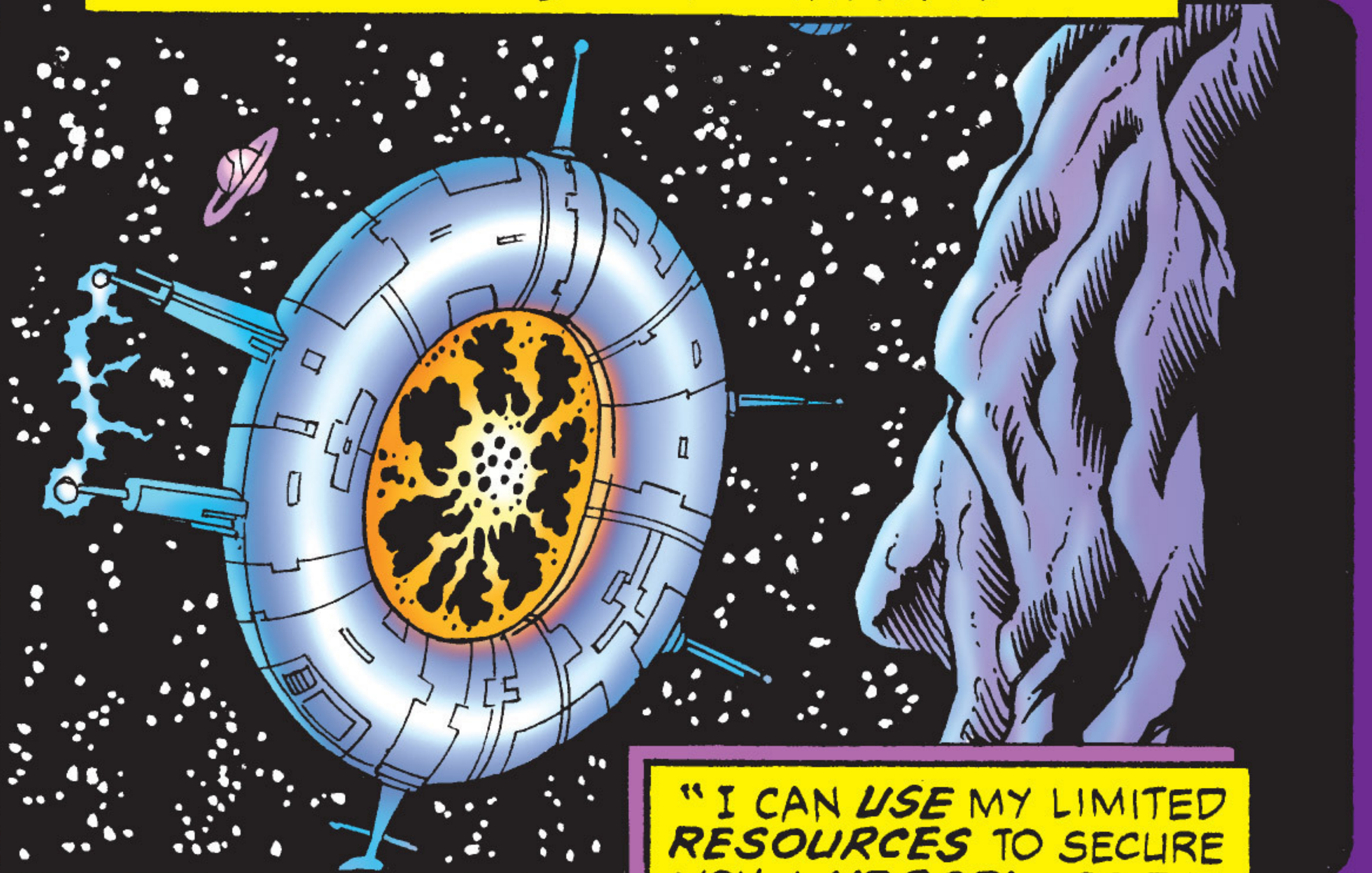
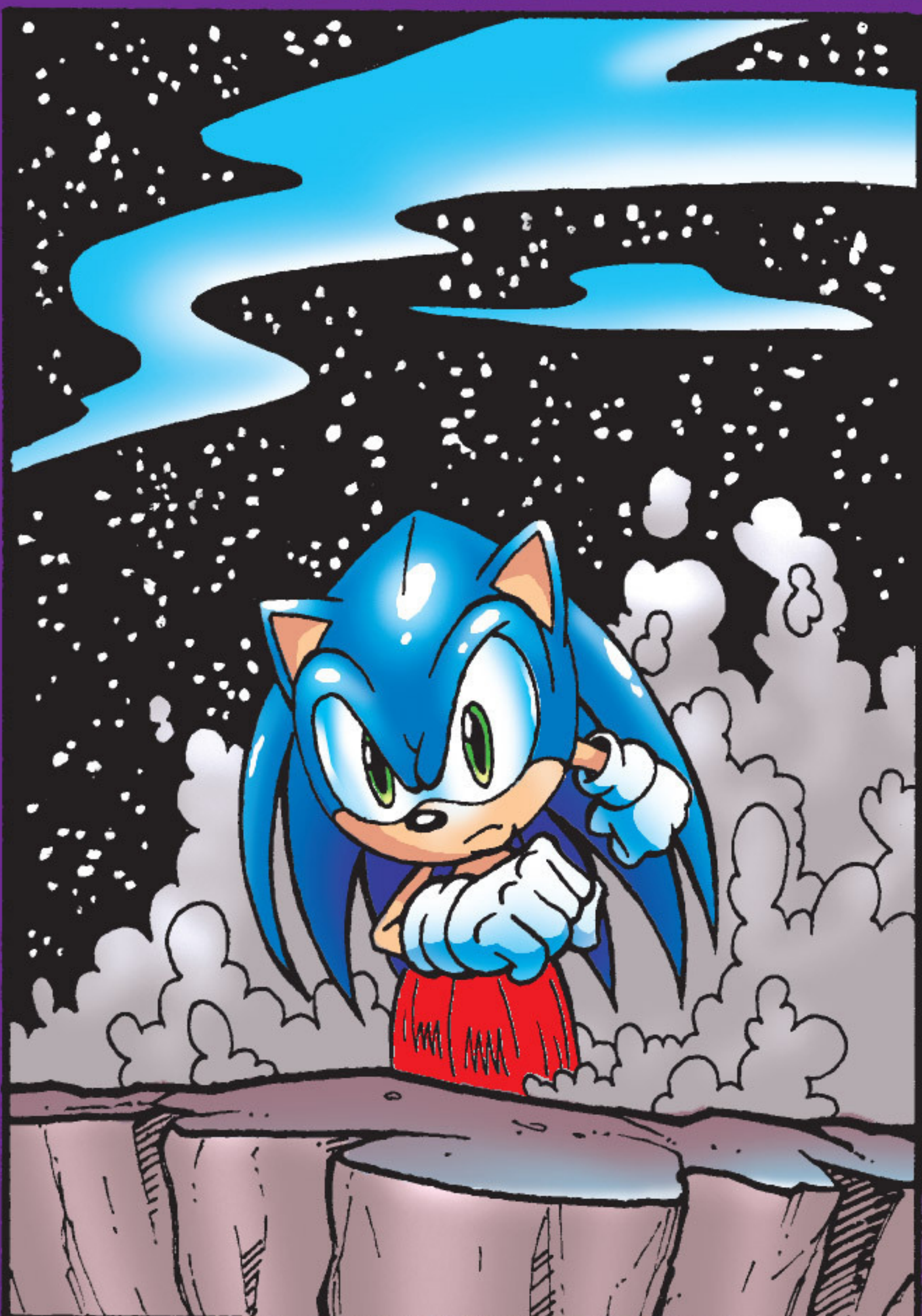
CENECA-10050...?!

YOU'RE THE HEAD MAGISTRATE! WHAT DO YOU WANT?

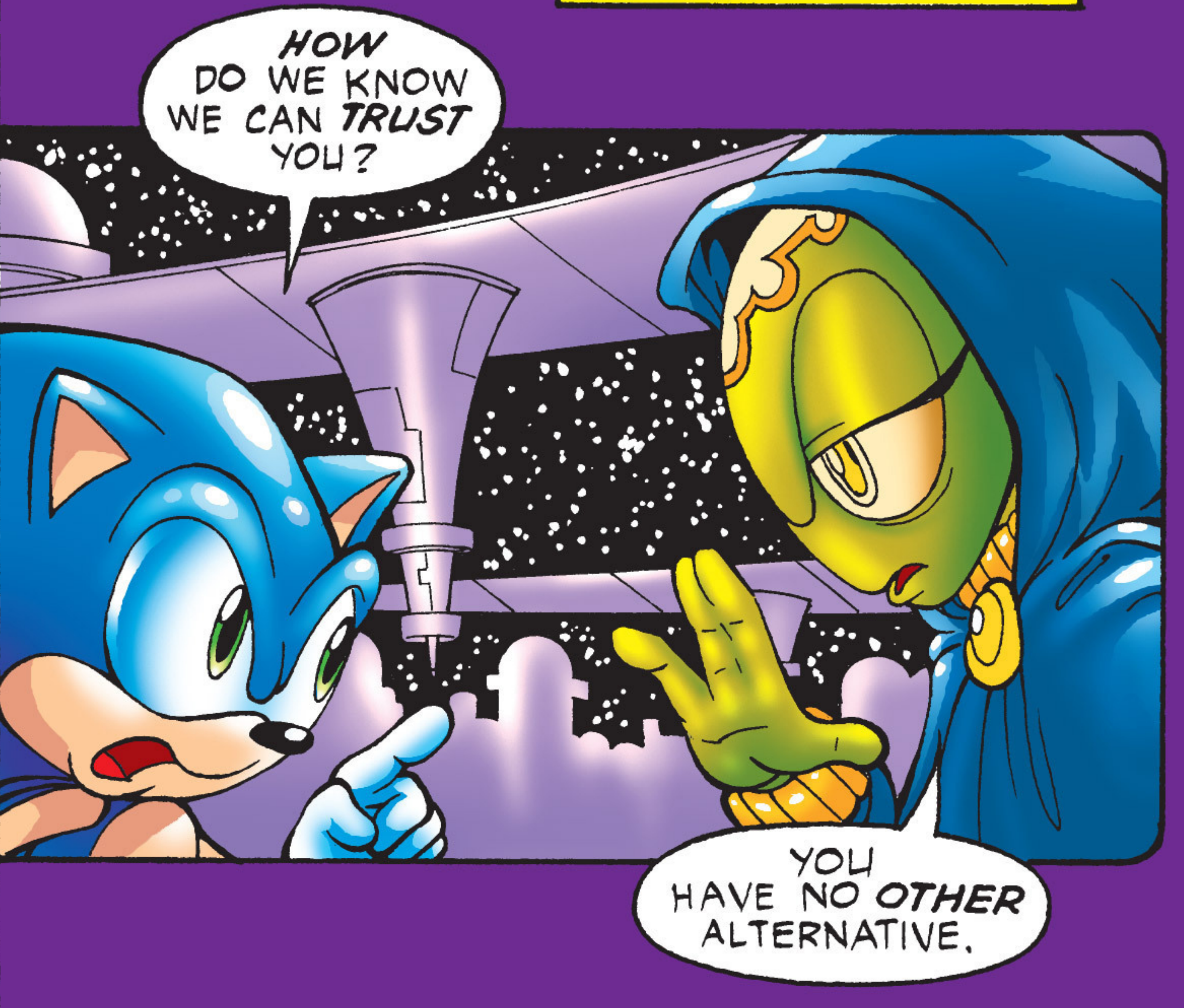
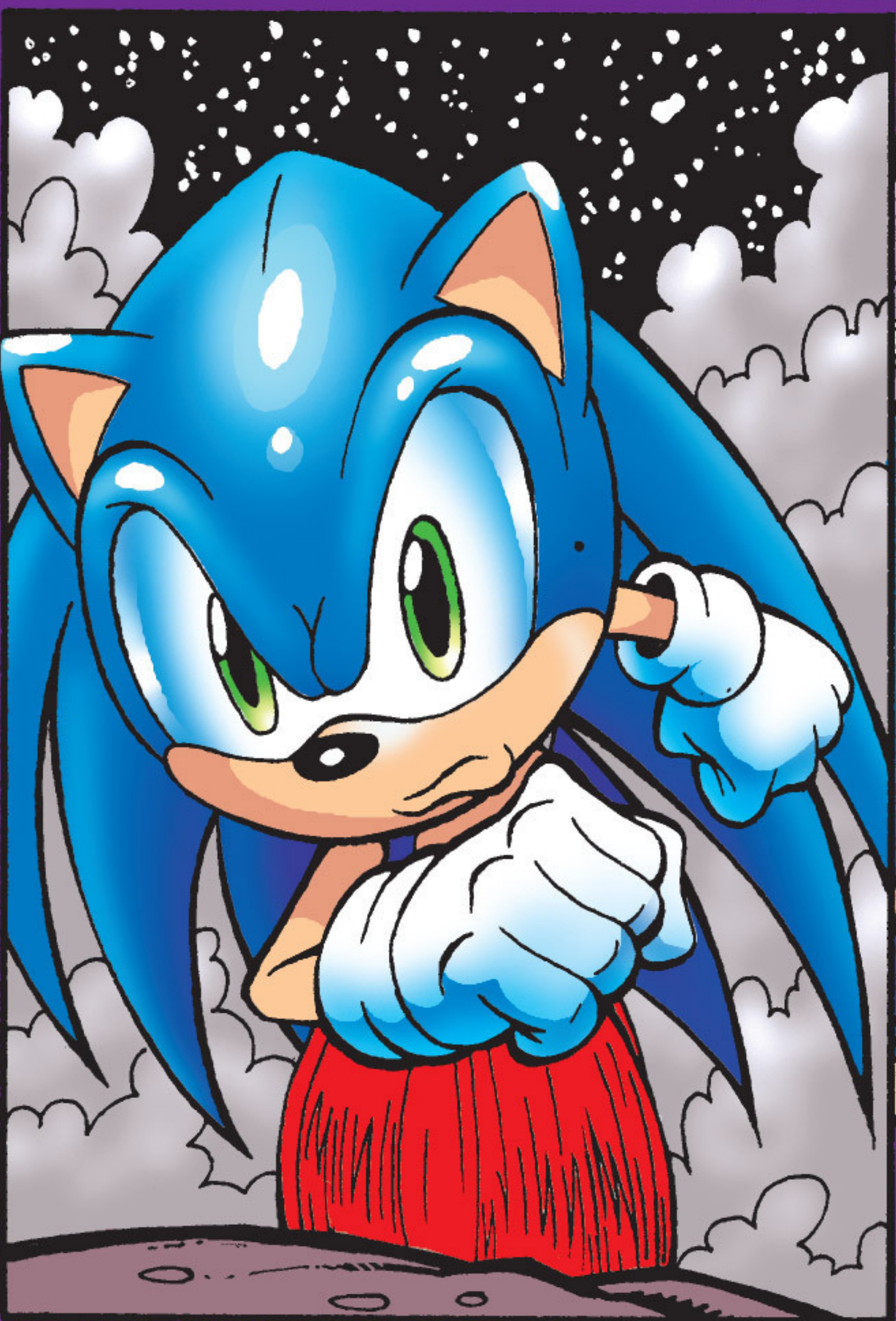
HEAR ME OUT, HEDGEHOG. NOT ALL OF US CONSIDER CENECA-9009 TO DESERVE THIS PUNISHMENT. AS A MATTER OF FACT, I BELIEVE THAT HER RECENT ACTIONS ON MOBIUS...

...HELPED BALANCE THE TRAGEDY ON BIOTEX SO LONG AGO.

"IN ORBIT, NEAR ARGENTILUM, IS AN ARTIFICIAL WORMHOLE OF BEM DESIGN THAT CAN TAKE YOU-- ALL OF YOU, INCLUDING CENECA 9009-- ANYWHERE IN THE KNOWN UNIVERSE ."

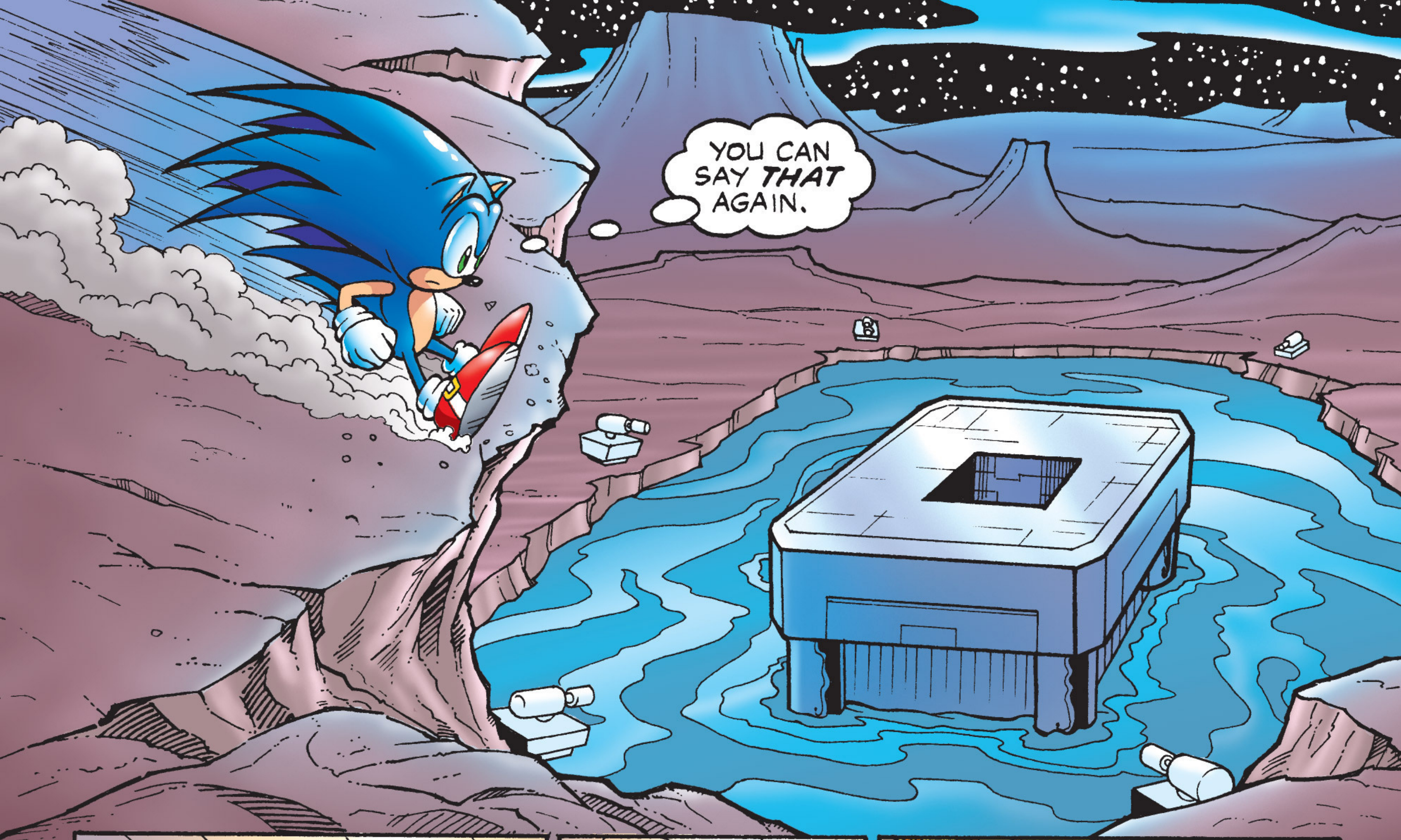


"I CAN USE MY LIMITED RESOURCES TO SECURE YOU A VESSEL FOR THE JOURNEY."



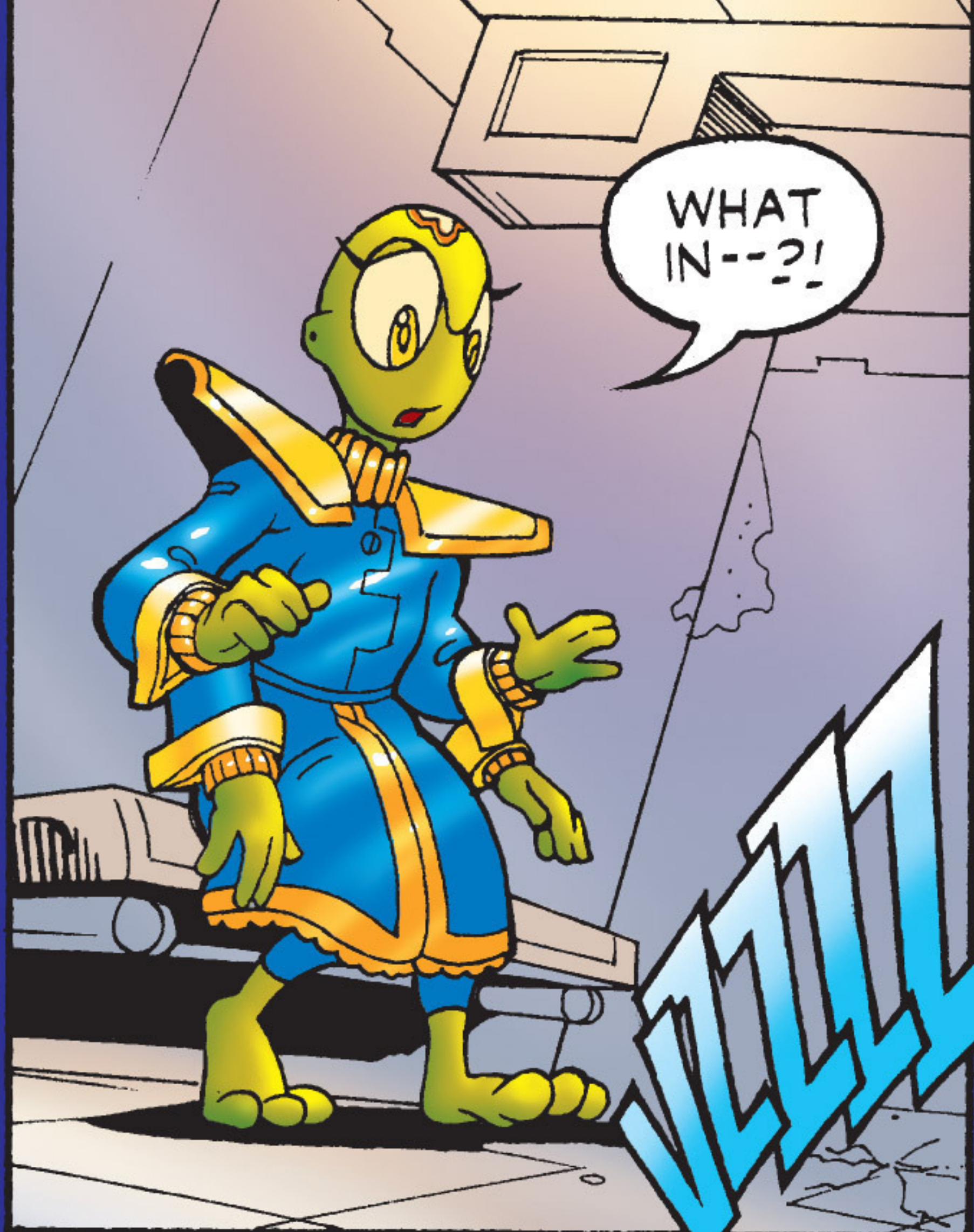
HOW DO WE KNOW WE CAN TRUST YOU?

YOU HAVE NO OTHER ALTERNATIVE.

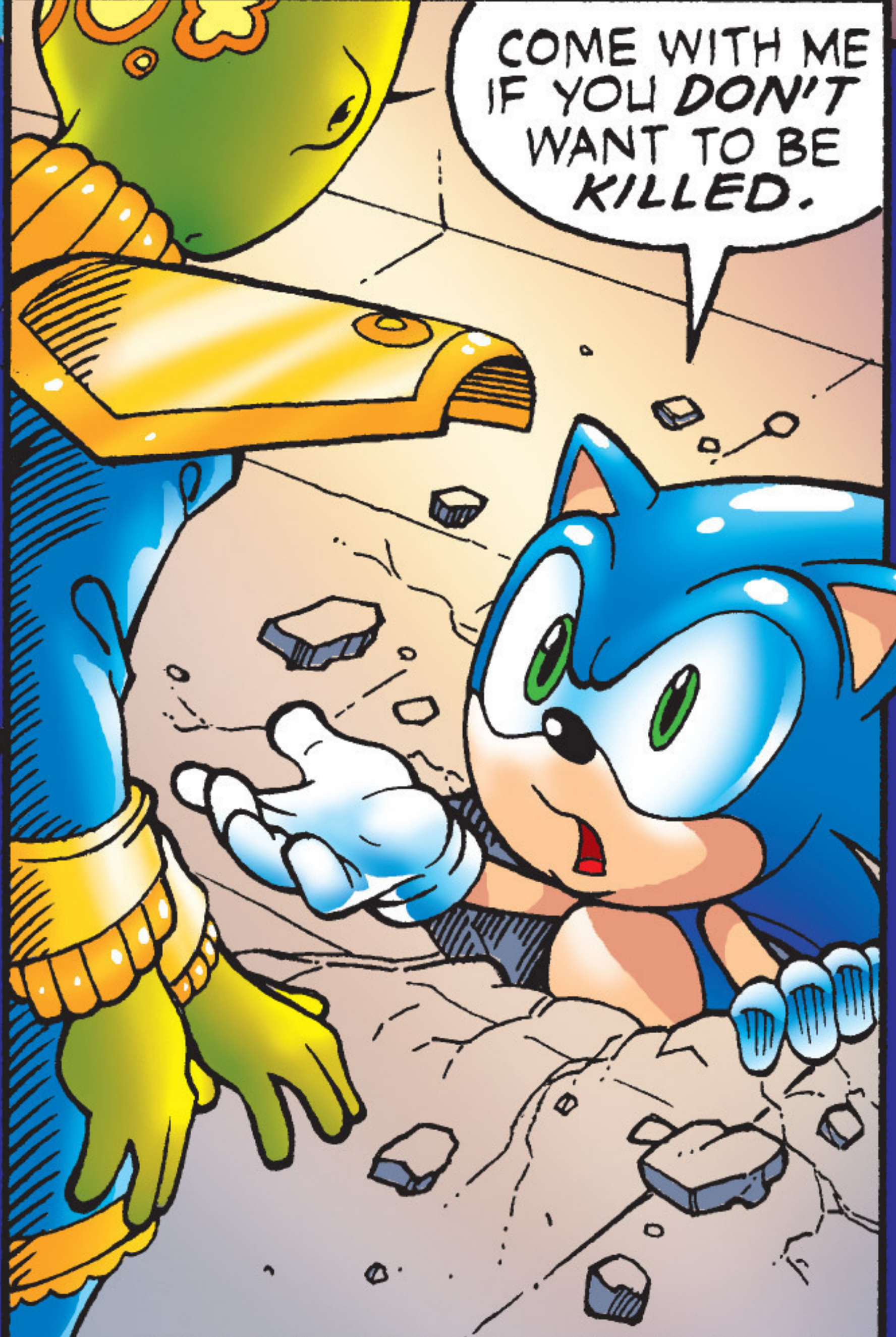
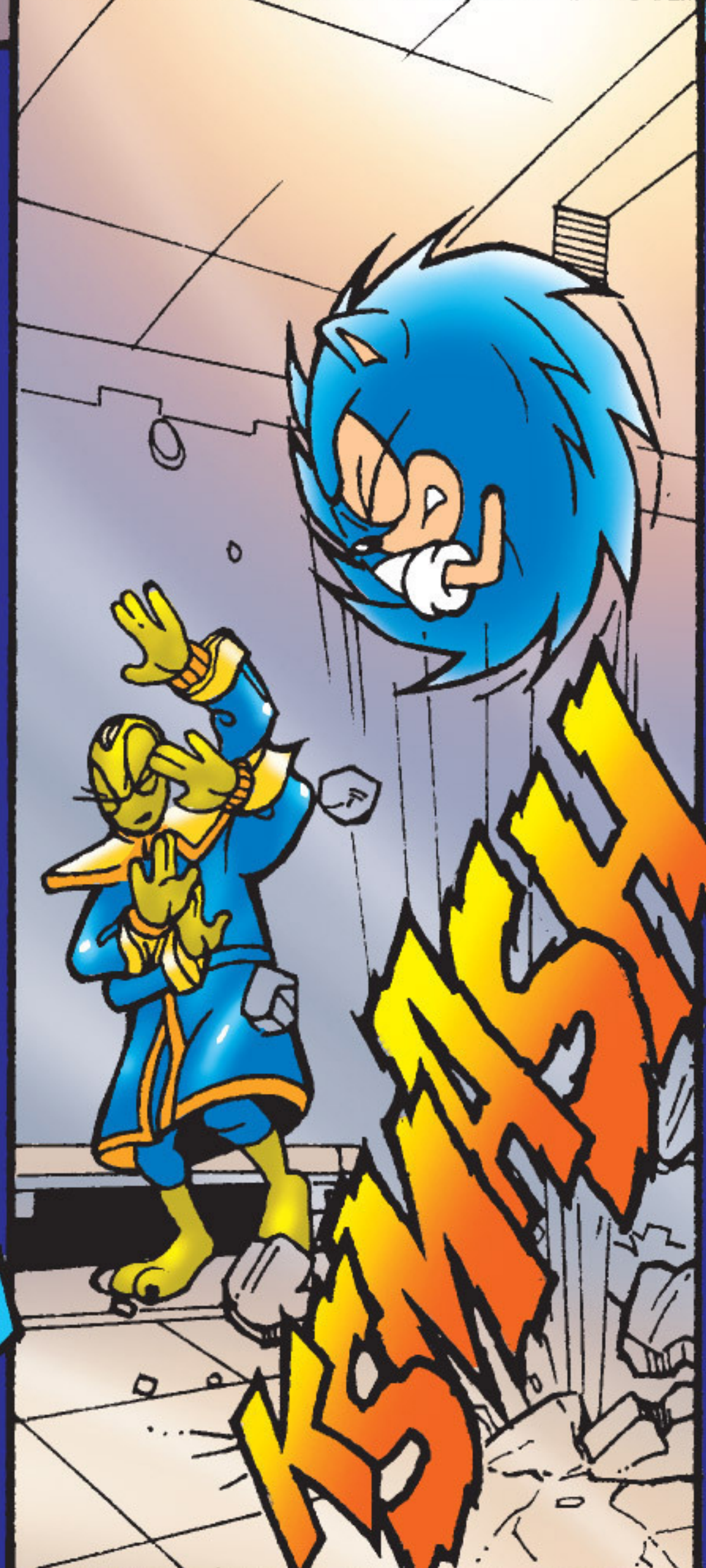


YOU CAN SAY THAT AGAIN.

INSIDE CENECA-9009'S PRISON CELL...

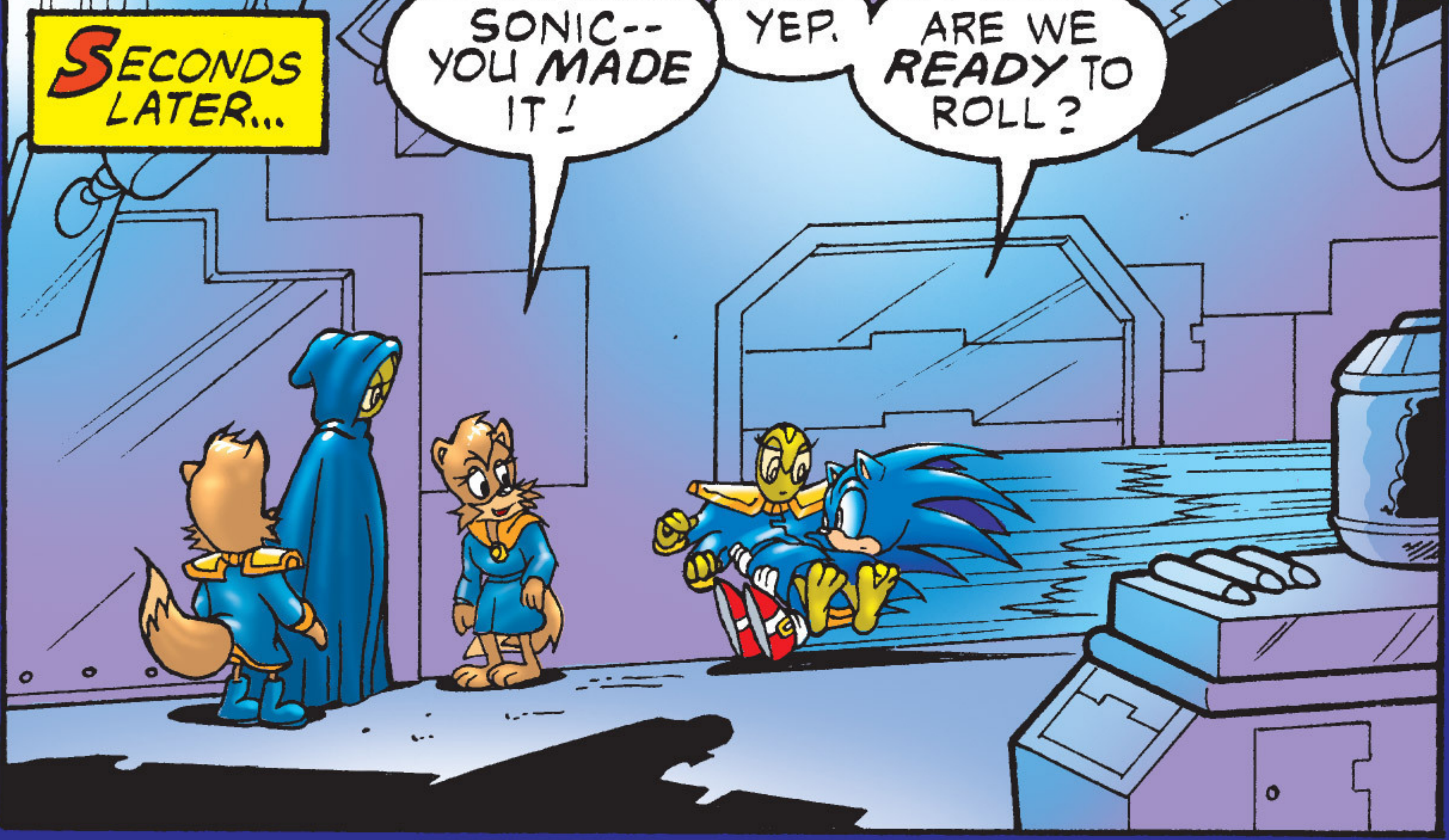


WHAT IN--?!



COME WITH ME IF YOU DON'T WANT TO BE KILLED.

SECONDS LATER...



SONIC-- YOU MADE IT!

YEP.

ARE WE READY TO ROLL?

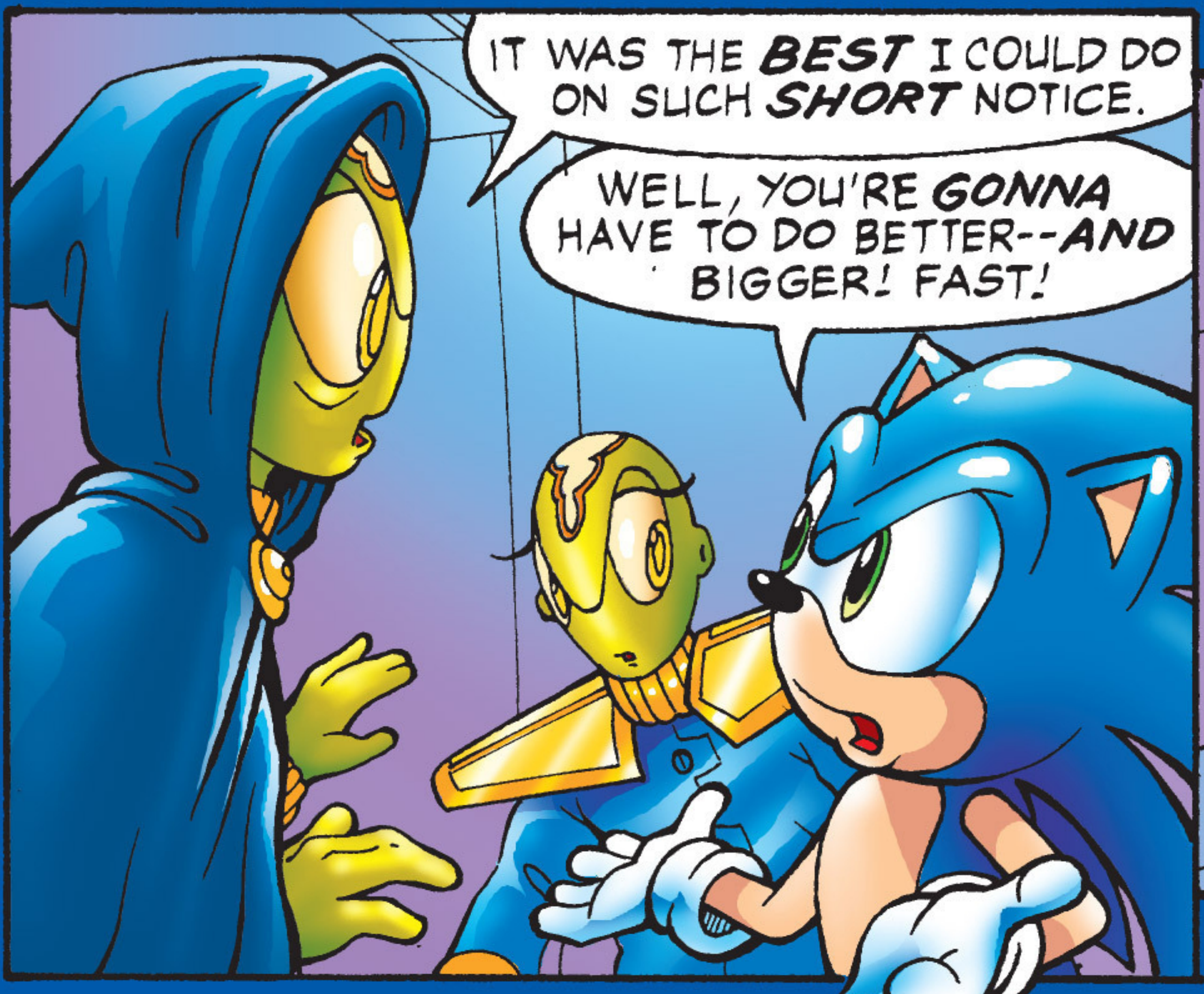


WHERE'S THE SHIP?



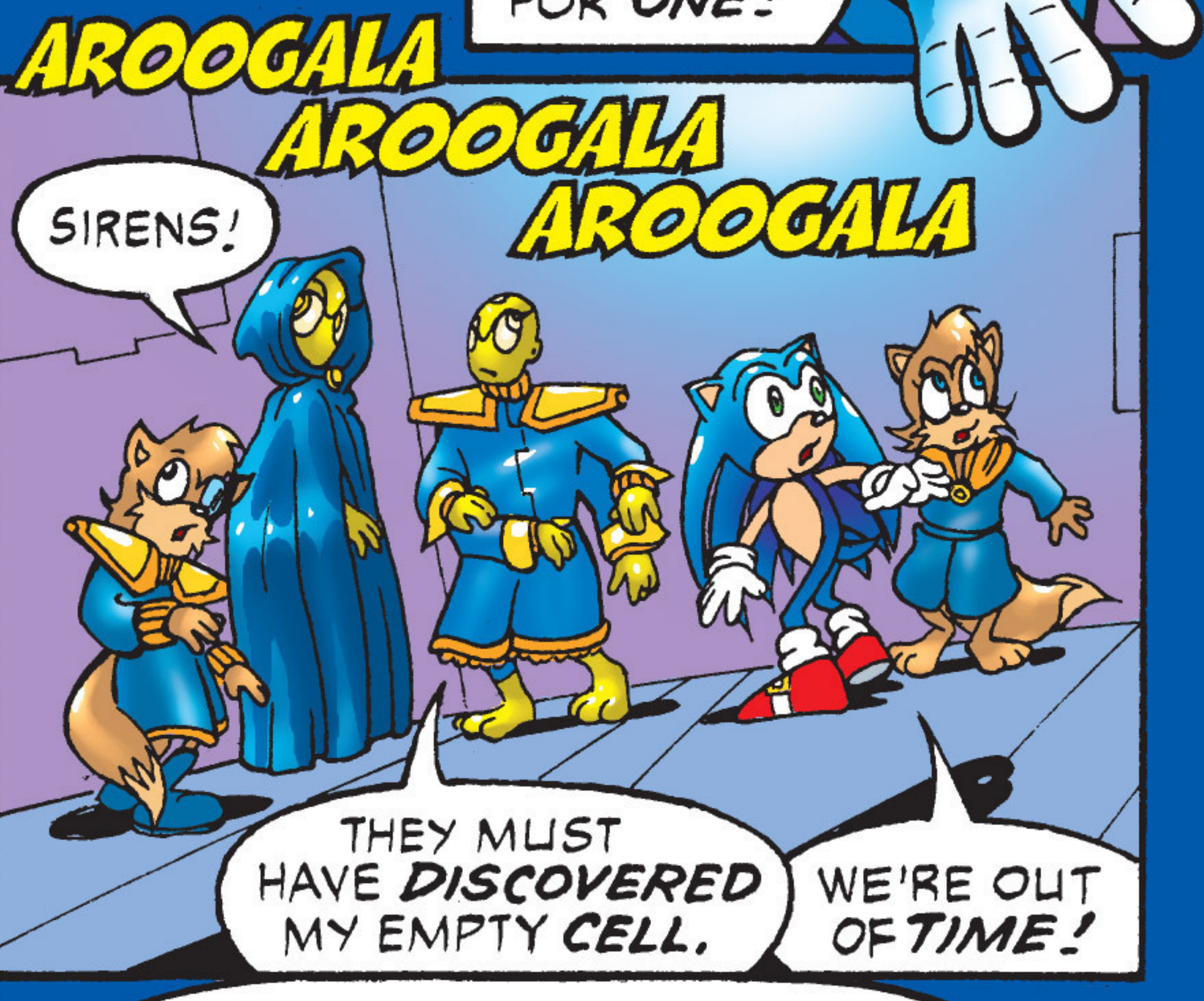
RIGHT HERE,  
HOW THE HECK ARE WE ALL SUPPOSED TO FIT IN THAT?

THERE'S ONLY ROOM FOR ONE!



IT WAS THE BEST I COULD DO ON SUCH SHORT NOTICE.

WELL, YOU'RE GONNA HAVE TO DO BETTER--AND BIGGER! FAST!



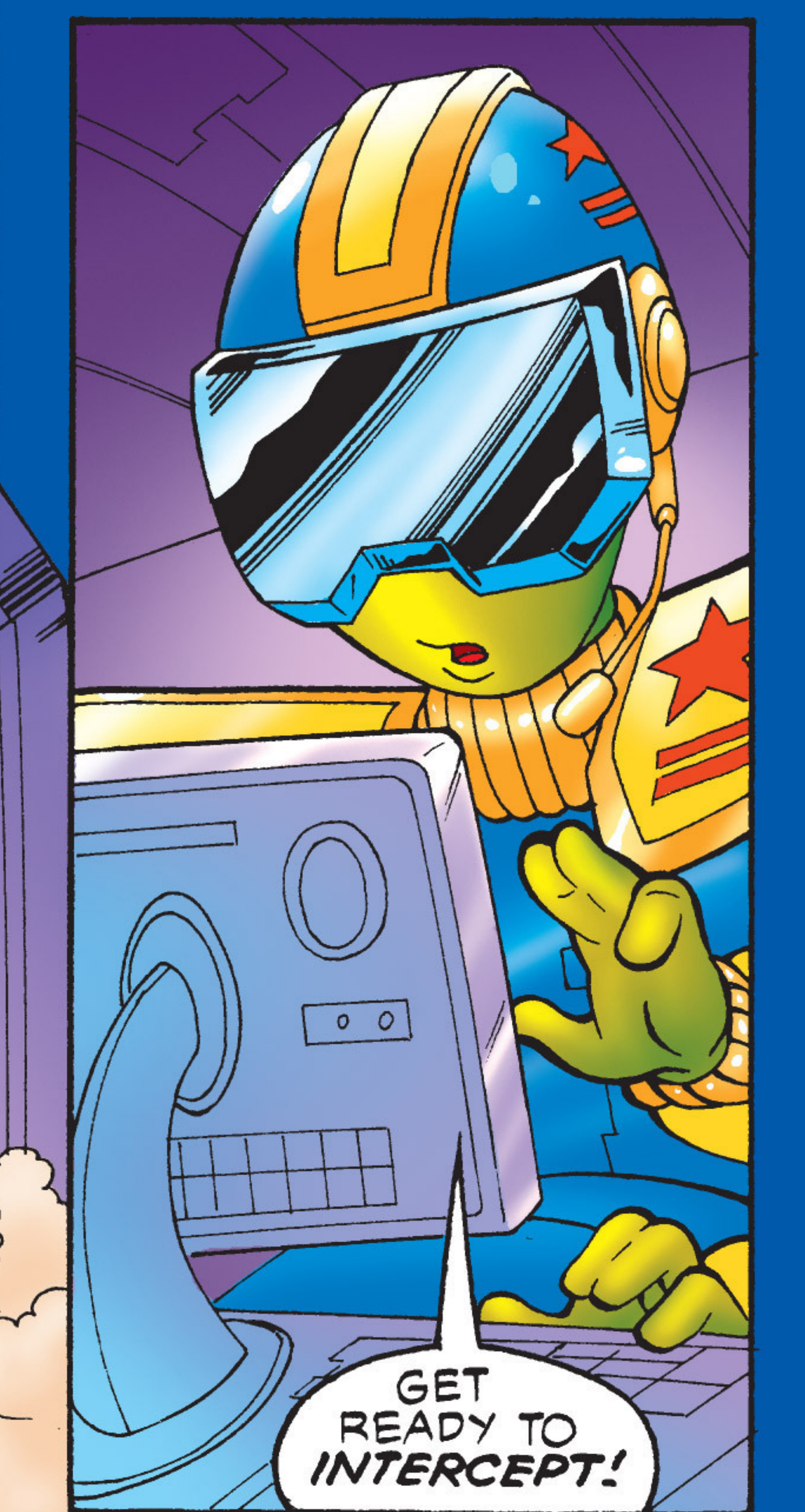
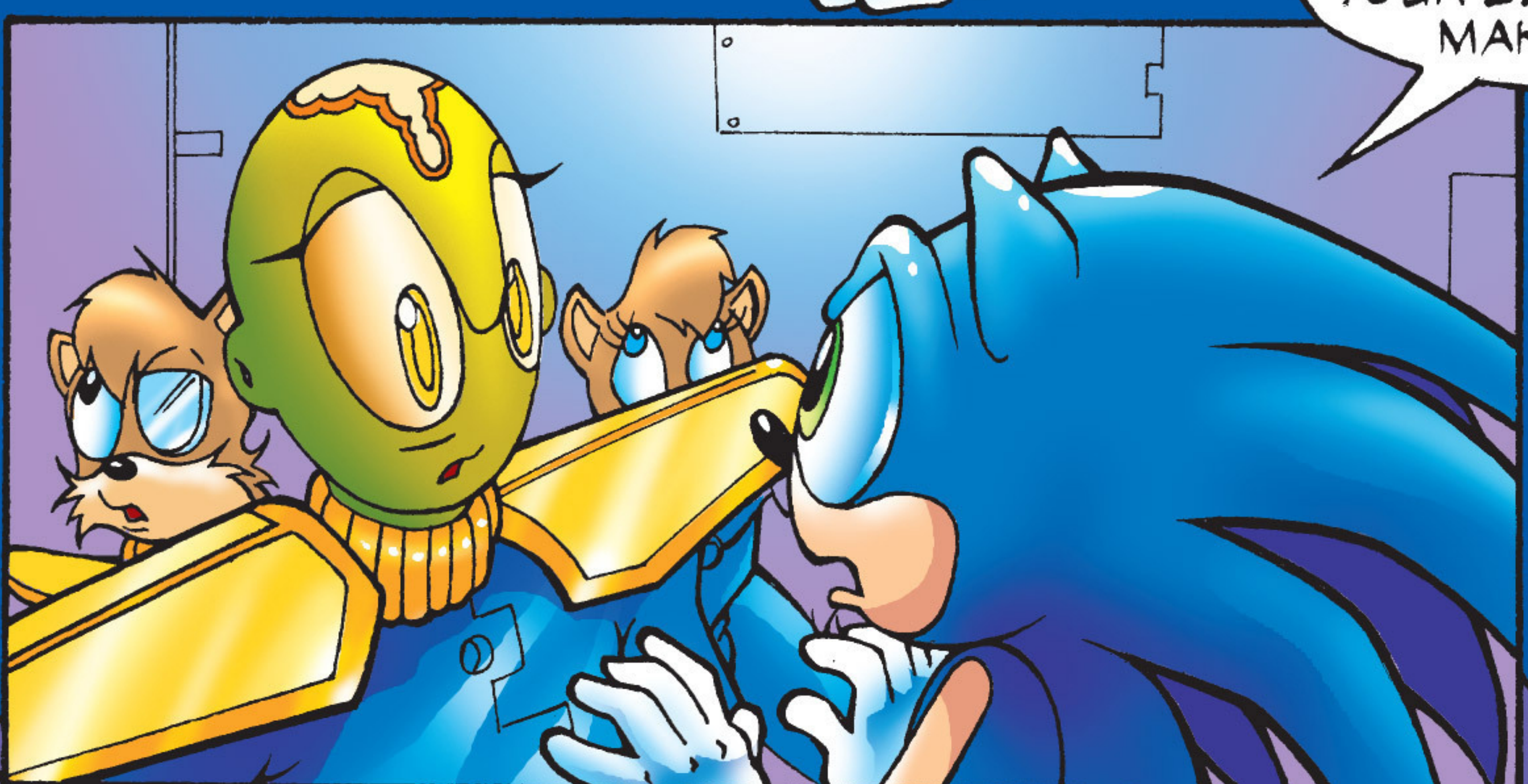
**AROOGALA**  
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SIRENS!

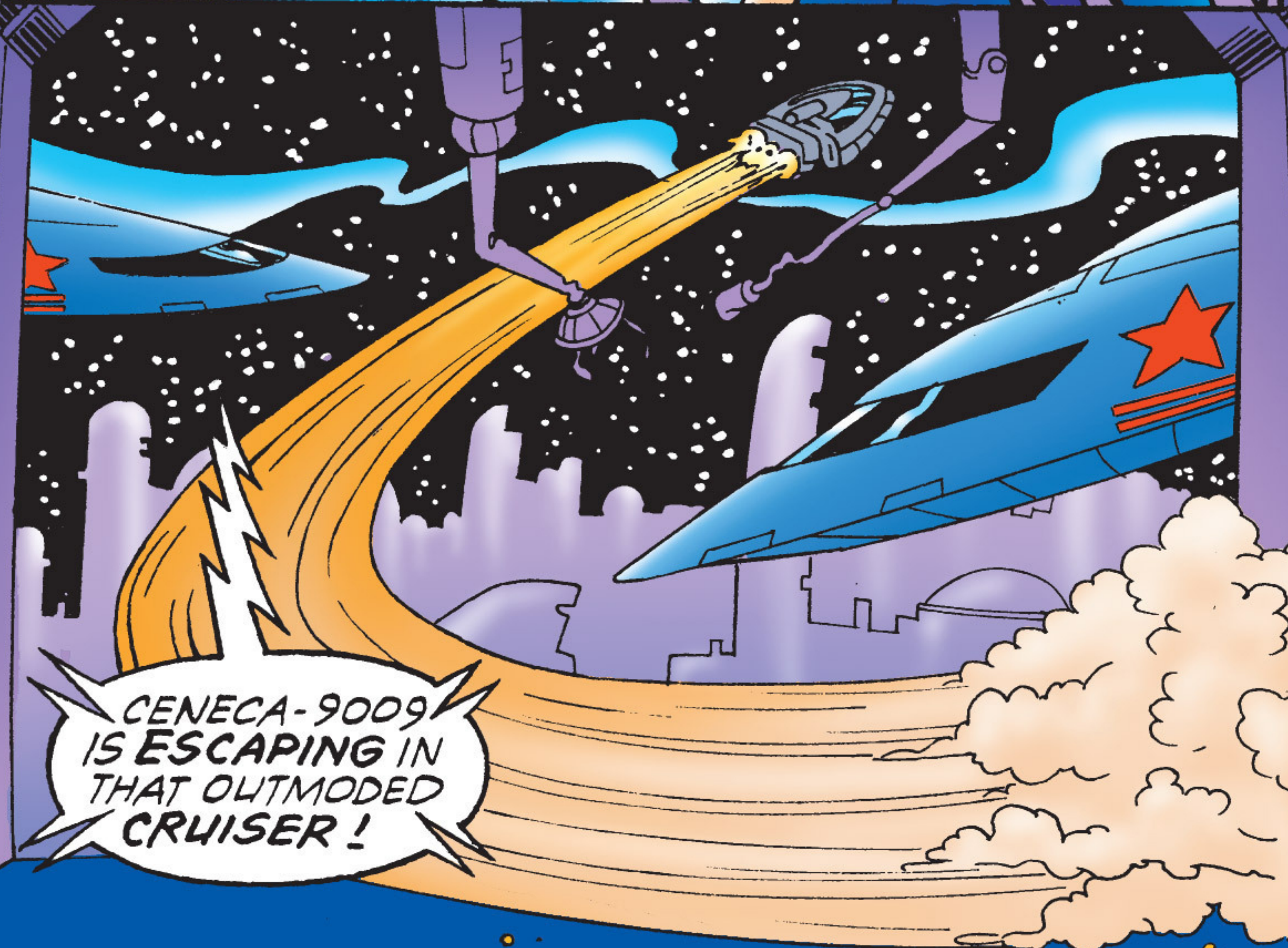
THEY MUST HAVE DISCOVERED MY EMPTY CELL.

WE'RE OUT OF TIME!

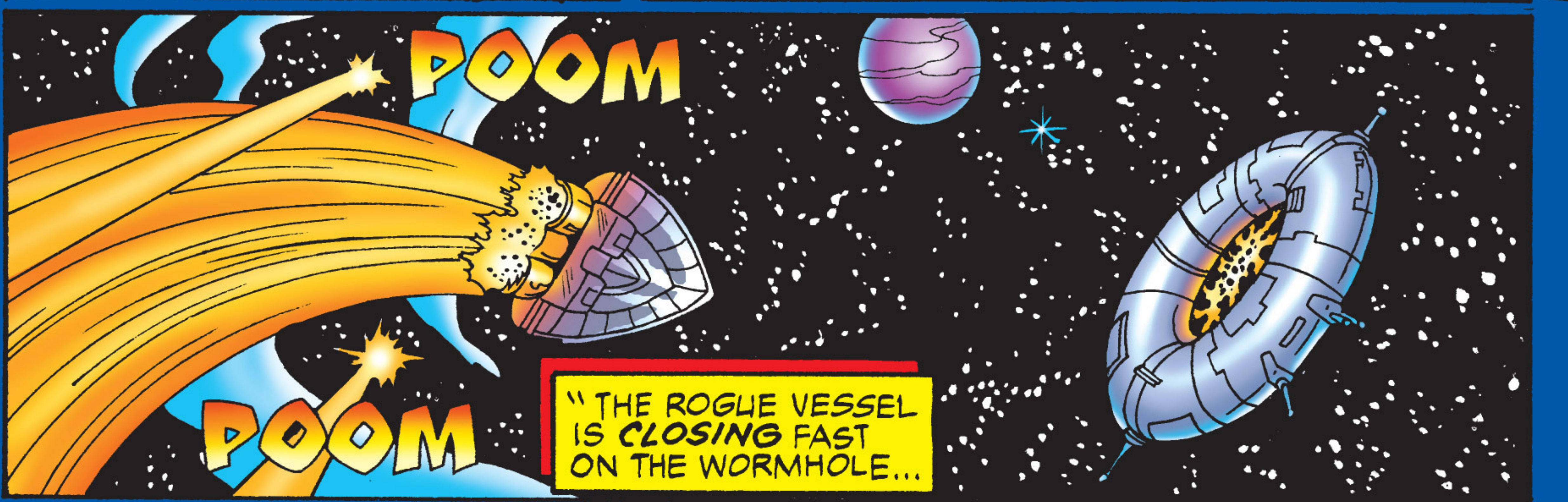
CENECA! YOU HAVE THE MOST TO LOSE BY STAYING HERE--YOUR LIFE! TAKE THE SHIP AND MAKE A RUN FOR IT!

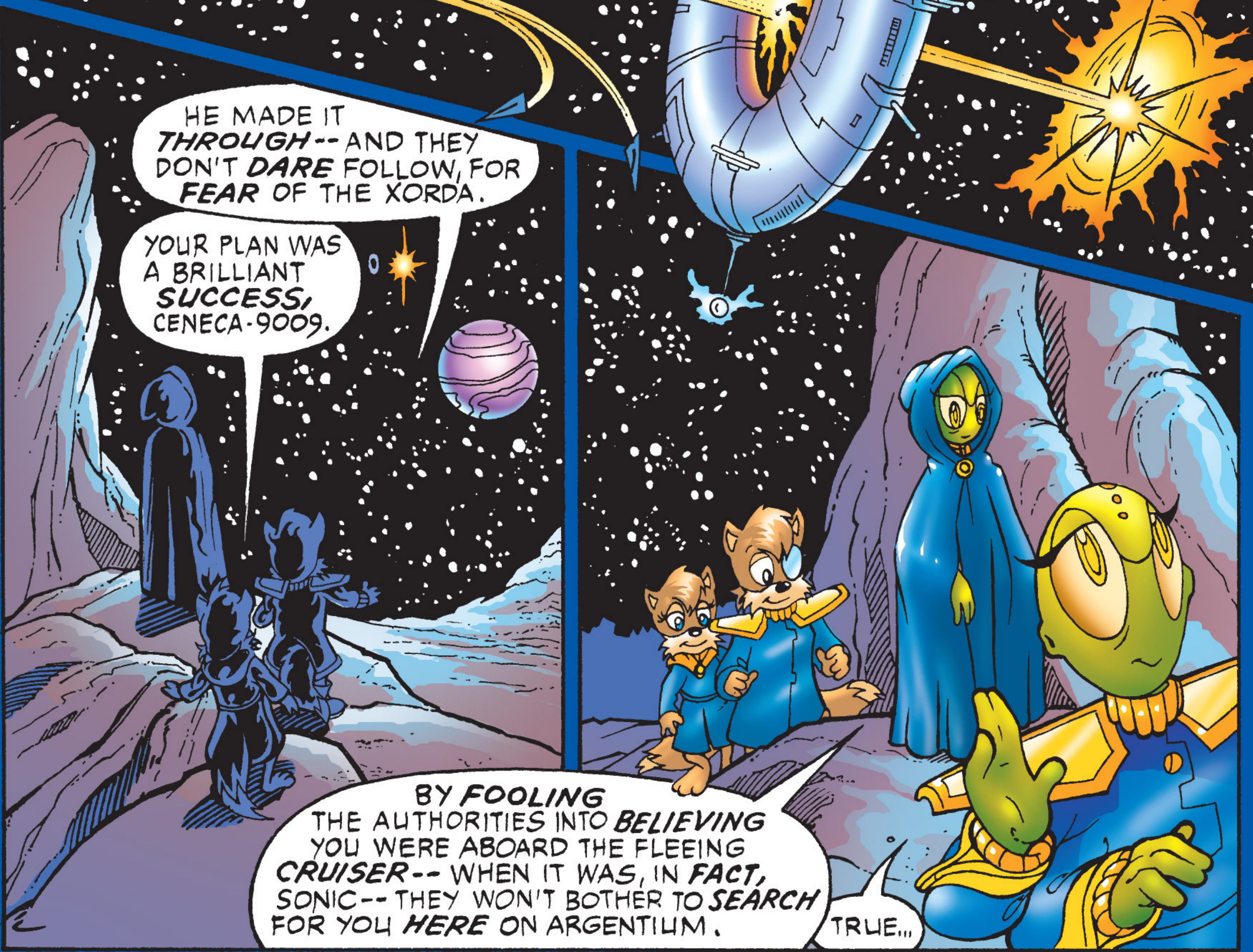


GET READY TO INTERCEPT!



CENECA-9009 IS ESCAPING IN THAT OUTMODED CRUISER!





HE MADE IT **THROUGH**-- AND THEY DON'T **DARE** FOLLOW, FOR **FEAR** OF THE XORDA.

YOUR PLAN WAS A BRILLIANT **SUCCESS**, CENECA-9009.

BY **FOOLING** THE AUTHORITIES INTO **BELIEVING** YOU WERE ABOARD THE FLEEING **CRUISER**-- WHEN IT WAS, IN **FACT**, SONIC-- THEY WON'T BOTHER TO **SEARCH** FOR YOU **HERE** ON ARGENTILIUM.

TRUE...



... BUT I MUST **FOREVER** SPEND MY EXISTENCE IN **HIDING** OR HEAR THE EXECUTIONER'S **SONG**.

OH, AMADEUS! SONIC **OFFERED** HIS PLACE ON THAT VESSEL TO **EITHER** ONE OF US, BUT I COULD **NEVER** GO BACK TO MOBILIUS **WITHOUT** YOU!

NOR I YOU, MY LOVE.

DO YOU **THINK** WE'LL EVER SEE OUR SON **AGAIN**?

I HAVE **FAITH**, DEAREST...



... AND AS LONG AS SONIC GIVES HIM THE **PACKAGE** WE SENT, MILES WILL **ALWAYS** KNOW HOW MUCH WE **LOVE** HIM!

**SHOOOP**

AAAAGGGHHH!!!

THIS SPACE BUCKET FEELS LIKE ITS THREE SECONDS AWAY FROM SHAKING ITSELF APART! BUT ON THE PLUS SIDE, I SEE A FAMILIAR SIGHT UP AHEAD--

--THE MOBIAN MOON!

AND THERE SHE IS -- MOTHER MOBILUS HERSELF! HOME SWEET HOME.

LET'S HOPE I LAND IN ONE PIECE!

**NEXT HOME** Part 1 of 4!

So long, Sonic fans--what a strange trip it's been!  
(^\_^) Benny Lee